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THE . RUSH . GROWS . GREATER

AS PEOPLE SEE THE MARVELLOUS VALUES
THEIR FRIENDS ARE GETTING

At The Great Clothing Sale Now in Full Force at Robinson & Hamilton's Store.

Read carefully the prices, then come in and see the goods. You'll not be disappointed but agreeably surprised. We decided to turn a lot of our clothing into money and have taken this means of doing so. The prices will sell it.

Three Lines !

All Men's Suits Assorted into 3 Lines and 3 Prices.

Three Prices !

\$2.90

A good suit of clothes in light and dark colors, worth \$5.00 for \$2.90.

\$5.00

A splendid suit in light or dark, pretty tweed, worth \$8.50 easy for \$5.00.

\$7.50

Our greatest and best line. Some suits regular \$12.50 going at \$7.50.

Seventy pair men's fine pants, heavy, medium and dark colors worth \$1.50, \$1.65 and \$1.75, clearing at ONE DOLLAR.

One hundred and eight pair men's pants, all styles, ranging from \$2.50, \$2.75 and \$3.00, your choice of this lot for DOLLAR-FIFTY.

Boys' lined pants for 25c. Boys' blouse suits, and boys' two-piece suits, well worth \$1.50 and \$2.00, big sale price ONE DOLLAR.

Gents' ties, four in hand and club, worth 35 and 40 cents, your choice of anything in this line this week only for TWENTY-FIVE CENTS.

In ladies' cloth jackets we are offering some great values. Some lines at half price. Regular stock 20 per cent discount. We have some very neat, natty lines in the latest styles

Boys' Overcoats reduced to \$1.00, \$2.00 and \$3.00.

This Clearing
Sale will
Continue till
Jan. 31st. '99.

We have to thank our many patrons and friends who have helped to make this a successful year for us, and also to say that we are in a better position than ever to supply the demands of our customers, as all our purchases are now for spot cash, which gives us many advantages of which our customers shall always have the benefit. Wishing you all a merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

**Robinson and
Hamilton.**

CHRISTMAS !

"ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL."

**Another Year Has
Almost Gone,**

And We Are Still Here.

Our business career, although short, has been very successful, for which we feel thankful to our many friends. We sincerely trust we have always treated you kindly, and hope you are satisfied and feel pleasantly towards us. We don't promise you an 'Xmas present for your favors, but we promise you good

**HONEST VALUE FOR
GOOD MONEY,**

All the year round. If through some unforeseen circumstances any are now feeling dissatisfied, we invite you to come and renew former pleasant relations, and begin the New Year with those who are endeavoring to further your interests by at all times giving good goods for good money. To all we wish a very merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year, and invite you to call, inspect, buy and comment upon our well assorted stock of groceries, crockery, dry goods, etc.

J. A. HEALEY & CO.

Speaking of Fruit

We hold that if every orchard bore big luscious plums, it would not matter much what kind of an orchard you might fall into. But as some trees bear large fine fruit which hang low and are easy of access, while others grow small and inferior plums that are high and difficult to reach,

**It makes a big difference what kind
of a tree you pick from.**

The same may be said of groceries. If every store handled the same quality of goods at the same prices, it would not matter much where you did your shopping. But as there is as much difference in grocery stores as there is in fruit trees you had better always look for the one that bears the best fruit. The fruit of our recent researches in the best markets can easily be plucked from the many branches of our store tree.

J. J. & A. McLEAN.

THE ZEISS CULTIVATOR

A Moose Jawite's Invention Meeting With Great Success.

Last spring considerable interest was aroused, principally among farmers, over a cultivator invented and patented by Mr. Alex. Zeiss, one of our most prominent farmers. On large farms where weeds are troublesome, the need of some implement to effectively assist in their destruction has been keenly felt for some time. Previous efforts were made, and with some success, to invent a cultivator that would fill the want, but judging from the large number sold, and the way in which it is spoken of by those who have tried it, the "Zeiss" cultivator seems to fill the bill, and it will undoubtedly prove a boon to the farmers of the Territories.

In a recent interview Mr. Zeiss informed us that he spent in the vicinity of \$5000 in addition to his time and trouble before he had a machine ready for the market. The first shipment arrived from the manufacturers during the summer months, and consisted of one hundred cultivators. Over ninety of these have been purchased by farmers of this district. The machine has given almost entire satisfaction, and the following letter from Mr. Angus MacKay, Supt. of the Indian Head Experimental Farm may be taken as the general experience of those who have tried it:

Experimental Farm,
Indian Head, Dec. 1st, 1898
Alex. Zeiss Esq.,
Moose Jaw.

Dear Sir,
I have pleasure in testifying to the good work done on this farm by the cultivator made by you, and sent in July last for trial.

In working on fallow where the weeds were not over three (3) inches high the work was entirely satisfactory. Where the weeds were over this height a few would be left at the outer edges of the teeth, and in this respect the work was not properly done. This, however, no doubt can and will be remedied by widening the teeth one and one-half (1 1/2) or two (2) inches. The draft was light in comparison with any other implement for the same purpose used on the farm.

(Sgd.) Angus MacKay
Supt.

Since the machines were first placed on the market the above defect has been remedied in the way recommended by Mr. MacKay, and the machine has also been strengthened in other respects. It is Mr. Zeiss's intention to send one to Brandon Experimental Farm next spring, and no doubt it will meet with the same satisfactory results. Mr. Zeiss expects to

sell over three hundred machines next year. He has spent considerable time and a large amount of money to perfect his cultivator, and his efforts are deserving of a hearty support.

'Xmas Entertainments.

The usual 'Xmas tree entertainment will be held this year as formerly. The Methodist Sunday School will entertain on Monday evening, Dec. 26th, at Central Hall, when a lengthy programme of recitations, dialogues, songs, etc., will be rendered and a military and tennis drill will also be given. This year the Presbyterian Sunday School will not give an entertainment, but in its stead the children will be given a Christmas festival at Central Hall, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 28th. The Baptist Sunday School will hold their Christmas tree in Rums Hall on Thursday, the 29th, when the children will spend the evening with Santa Claus. St. John's church Sunday School entertainment will take place at Central Hall next Thursday, Dec. 29th when a good programme will be rendered.

Eastview.

Eastview, Dec. 20.—Did any one ever before see such lovely weather as we have been having this winter? Everybody seems to think it eclipses anything they have ever seen for this season of the year. We hope it will continue. Our pastor, Mr. Endicott, has been spending a few days of late visiting in the neighborhood.—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Young, Stony Beach, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Alcock on Sunday.—Messrs. J. N. and T. E. Alcock made a trip to the Regina mill last week, they are well satisfied with their return.—Quilt parties are quite the order of the day in this community, a number having already taken place.—The Christmas season is most with us again, but judging from present prospects, it will pass over rather quietly in this community.

LOVELY

CHRISTMAS

PRESENTS

In Celluloid Hankers,
Boxes, Collar and Cuff Buttons,
Glove Boxes, etc., etc. See
Chinaware and Fancy Goods
and buy your presents at

The Bazaar

STEAD ON THE CZAR.

A GREAT PEACE CONFERENCE IS HELD AT LONDON.

The Results of the Russian Autocrat's Study of Civilization Is Not Encouraging.

London, Dec. 19.—At a great public conference held yesterday—Sunday—afternoon in St. James' hall favoring an international ratification of the czar's peace proposals, Wm. T. Stead said that though he could not give the exact words of the czar in a recent interview, the substance of what his majesty said was as follows:

"I look out over the world; I study our civilization and I do not find it very good. I see nations all engaged in seizing or trying to seize all the territory not yet occupied by European powers. I look at the results. They do not seem to me to be good. For the native races, what does imperial expansion mean? Too often opium, alcohol and all manner of foul disease, a great gulf between the governed and those who rule, and crushing taxation upon the natives for the blessings of this civilization. And for the nations who seize, what does it mean? A continual increase of suspicion, jealousy and rivalry; the heaping up of fleets and armies in order to take part in a scramble with the world, with the result that the army and navy are swallowing up more and more millions that should be used for the welfare of the people and the advancement of the world. On top are a very few very rich and comfortable. Down below, with an ever increasing pressure of taxes for armaments, is the great mass of poor people whose position is not very good. There is an ever increasing multitude of those below with their brooding discontent ripening into socialism and developing into all kinds of anarchy. No, I do not find our civilization good. Why do we make it so? We have at the present moment arrived at the stage that we have put all our very best manhood in the army. So much is this the case that we cannot mobilize the whole of our troops in European countries without dislocating the whole fabric of the social community. War has become so expensive that no state can stand the strain of protracted war without having to look bankrupt in the face, and we are so perfecting our modern weapons of destruction that no army can go into the field without losing so large a proportion of the officers that when the war is over, even if this army be victorious, the war will have inflicted irreparable loss on the country, what with disconnection caused by mobilizing, what with empty exchequer, what with decimated ranks of leading and governing men, I see nothing before any nation but a terrible heritage of revolutionary anarchy."

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FASHODA EVACUATED.

Marchand Marched Out, With Flag Flying, on December 11.

Cairo, Egypt, Dec. 19.—Major Marchand and his party evacuated Fashoda during the morning of December 11. With the French flaghoister the French detachment started for the Sobat River.

London, Dec. 19.—News has come via Zanzibar from Major McDonald, who is the head of a British exploration party in East Africa. His report gave England further cause for congratulation in her plan to civilize Africa and build a British highway from Cairo to Cape Town. Major McDonald states he established posts from the Agarda region, just south of Lake Nyanza, to the northeast Lake Radofand, is now going down the river Sobat to Fashoda. This establishes claims to enormous territories in Eastern Africa.

As soon as the expedition sent out by Cecil Rhodes to establish stations and telegraph service from Cape Town to the Middle Lake region has accomplished its work, it will be an easy line on Major McDonald's chain of posts northward and British plans for a trans-African highway will be culminated.

SALISBURY PRAISED.

The Earl of Selborne Enjoins Him for Establishing Cordial Relations With the U.S.

Reading, England, Dec. 19.—At the opening of the Wellington club here today, the Earl of Selborne, under secretary for the colonies, discussing the foreign policy of the government, maintained that the Marquis of Salisbury's management of the relations between Great Britain and the United States alone entitled him to the absolute confidence of the country. The change which has taken place from three years back, when both countries were discussing the possibilities of war, would not have been possible except for the cool, firm, far-seeing way in which the premier had dealt with the Venezuelan difficulty. Continuing, the Earl of Selborne said, "A very simple, but very great thing has happened. A misunderstanding has been removed. The people of the United States had not understood Great Britain's real feelings towards them. Now they understand—that is all—but it is important that Great Britain has not proposed to use the United States for her purpose any more than our friends across the Atlantic have proposed to use Great Britain for their purpose. Where our interests are identical we may help for co-operation. When one country had an interest and the other has none, we may hope that the country not interested will do what it can to support its friend. Where the interests may unhappily tend to diverge, they should hasten by mutual conciliation to an understanding, so as to arrive at a speedy compromise before there is any chance of a breach of their friendship." (Loud cheers.)

A Mystery Cleared Up.

Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 15.—Gradually the mystery surrounding the disappearance from this city several weeks ago of Mrs. Nellie J. Horn, a beautiful young woman who was visiting this health resort and whom the authorities believed had been murdered by young Hardy Sheffield and robbed of her money, is being cleared up and by tonight Sheriff Williams hopes to have evidence to prove that one of the most heartless crimes ever committed in this vicinity is that by which Mrs. Horn lost her life. Hardy Sheffield is in jail charged with the murder. The sheriff returned to the city today from the home of Sheffield's brother in Hot Springs county, where it was reported the body of Mrs. Horn had been found. He brought with him a sack containing the gruesome evidence that a human body had been cremated piece by piece in Sheffield's house. The sack containing human bones, ashes and other articles was recovered from the fire place in Sheffield's house. Experts are at work making a scientific examination of these relics and it is already established that the bones are those of a human being. Sheffield's brother, in whose house the crime is supposed to have been committed, was brought to Hot Springs and placed in jail, as were also several others who are charged with being accessory to the crime.

Unit for Sea Going.

New York, Dec. 15.—The Herald says: Naval officers believe that the battleship Massachusetts must go out of commission and a practically new keel and several frames must be supplied for her before she will be fit for sea. This apprehension has been caused by an incomplete examination made by naval constructors and divers, which showed that her keel is buckled for two hundred and forty feet, and the frames are twisted in about seventeen different places in that distance. These injuries are the result of an accident last Saturday when the vessel struck a mass of rock near Diamond Reef and drove over it. Naval officers are now astonished at the fact that the big ship did not sink.

Supreme Court Case.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—In the supreme court this morning the appeal of Cole vs. Pope from the supreme court of British Columbia was dismissed with costs, it is a dispute over a mining property.

James MacPherson, while postmaster at St. John's, Que., defaulted to the amount of \$4,288, his bondsmen were the late John Black. The suit is proceeding in the exchequer court today to recover \$3,200, half from Henderson Black individually and half from Henderson Black and Jane Black beneficiaries under the will of the late John Black.

REVOLVERS IN COURT.

A Judge and an Attorney Draw Their Guns—What the Judge Would Have Done.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 15.—A riot occurred in the first district of the police court yesterday during which Judge Thos. N. Peabody on the bench sat with his revolver in his hand, while Attorney J. D. Storts with a drawn weapon denounced the judge in unmeasured terms because of a decision which he declared was unfair to his clients. The attorney was defending four women charged with being questionable characters and the judge declined to continue the case for more than one day. This angered Storts, who drew his revolver and launched into a lurid denunciation of the judge. The judge drew his revolver and called for officers to throw the attorney out. The officers responded and after a battle during which the furniture was demolished, the lawyer was placed behind the bars. The case was then taken up and the women fined heavily.

Last night while Judge Peabody was about to enter his home on Page boulevard three women, supposed to be friends of Attorney Storts, sprang upon him and began assaulting him with their fists. The judge attempted to defend himself, but was overpowered. He was being worsted when his cries attracted a private watchman, who ran to his rescue and his assailants disappeared. The judge was bruised, but not seriously injured.

Referring to the trouble in the court during the day the judge said: "When Storts made that charge at me with his revolver, of course I was prepared for him and I would have fired if it had not been that there were a dozen persons behind him. I considered that my life was in jeopardy and I meant to shoot at the first opportunity." As there is bitter enmity between Attorney Storts and the judge it is feared there may yet be more serious trouble.

Quebec Navigation.

Quebec, Dec. 15.—During the late season of navigation eighty-three steamers were surveyed for clearance outward, after taking part of their cargo on at this port, having previously shipped part of their cargo at Montreal. Three steamers and nine sailing vessels were surveyed and their cargo examined on their arrival from sea. Five steamers took on live stock here aggregating 2,897 cattle and 1,477 sheep.

The Maris Rickmers Safe.

Baltimore, Dec. 14.—The overdue North German Lloyd line steamship Maris Rickmers, from Bremen, passed in, at Cape Henry this morning at 4 o'clock and signalled that she had aboard eight survivors of the British steamship Londonian, of Hull, which foundered at sea. The British steamship Vedamore rescued forty-five of the crew, whom she landed here last week. She lost the wreck on the night of Nov. 27, with eight aboard. They were rescued by the Rickmers next day.

A SECRET TREATY.

RUSSIA WILL LEND HER ARMY TO CHINA IN CASE OF ATTACK.

The Presence in Peking of the Legation Guards Alone Saved the Life of the Chinese Emperor.

Vancouver, Dec. 15.—Chinese papers received by the Empress of India declare that 2,000 men are to be handed over to Lord Charles Beresford to organize as a nucleus of the Chinese disciplined army of the future. Dispatches have been received from Nanking and Wu Chang to the effect that the grand council has notified the viceroys of those cities to select a thousand men each from the Manchurian garrisons of Kiangning (Nanking) and Ching Chow, near Shas; and have them ready to be turned over to the sole command of Lord Charles "to be drilled according to the system of the British army." It has not yet been determined where the future camp is to be, but probably near Nanking or Ching Kiang.

Hong Kong papers declare that reports published of the existence of a secret treaty between the Russian and Chinese governments are perfectly true. It is stated that a large force under Russian officers is ordered to Shanhaiwan. The secret treaty existing between Russia and China is reported to be as follows: "Until the re-organization of the Chinese army and navy is completed, China shall have the assistance of the Russian army and navy for defence in case of emergency. In such case the command of the army and navy shall remain in the hands of Russian officers. The Chinese government shall make proper pecuniary compensation to the Russian army and navy when their services are required. The commander of the Russian army at Liaotung and Port Arthur shall hold himself at the orders of the Chinese government and may be called upon to render assistance at any time."

Confirmation has been received of the telegraphic reports that the Japanese minister, Yano, was received in audience by the emperor and empress dowager. It is well understood now in Peking that the intention of Manchus was to kill the emperor or formally depose him and his successor was chosen; but the attitude of the foreign ministers made them pause and the arrival of the legation guards made them conclude that they had better leave things as they are; meanwhile, as two of the princes told a prominent resident in Peking:

"We let a foreign doctor see him to pacify the legations, but we don't let him take any of the foreign doctor's medicines." So timorous are these Manchus princes that there is very little doubt that a really strong representation from the foreign ministers, backed by a movement on the part of the British fleet, would put the emperor really on his throne again.

Marquis Ito is said to have expressed to Viscount Takashima and Marshall Nozu, when they paid a visit to him at Oise, a very pessimistic view in regard to the future of the Chinese empire. There is no man in China who can rescue her from impending collapse," said he. The country is so big as to defy all attempt at renovating it. Indeed, I would not be surprised to find a sad fate overtake China within rather a short space of time, say three years." Seeing that the affairs of the far east are in such a critical state the veteran statesman thinks that it is full time for the Japanese nation to do away with petty internal quarrels and to devote its whole energy to the solution of international questions.

The French have not had such a pleasant experience of Kwong Chau Wan as the Germans of Kwong Chau, the Russians of Newchwang and the English of Wei-Hai-Wei, but they are taking steps to prevent the recurrence of the insulting attacks made by natives from time to time upon detached bodies of French men. The authorities at Hanou have sent two companies of European troops and more will follow, and they have already enlisted a number of Chinese, who will serve as a native garrison under European command. Tonkin newspapers hope for a further increase of the garrison at an early date.

Friendly Relations Assured.

Rome, Dec. 16.—During the debate on the budget in the Italian chamber of deputies today Admiral Canavaro, minister of foreign affairs, referring to Italy's foreign relations, said there had been no change of policy with regard to alliances and that the relations of Italy with other nations had never been so friendly as at the present time. "The government is particularly gratified," he declared, "at the conclusion of the Franco-Italian treaty, which makes us confident of the ability of Italy to dispel the last traces of misunderstanding with France and to establish mutual cordiality and friendship."

British Treasure.

San Francisco, Dec. 15.—The steamer Alameda, from Australia, brought treasure amounting to \$3,510,000. There were 120 boxes of English sovereigns, 5,000 sovereigns in a box, and twenty-four boxes filled with bullion. The money is to settle in part the balance of trade between this country and England.

Frozen to Death.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 15.—Danube in from the north has news that J. F. Ferro, a well known merchant of Skagway, was frozen to death on the trail. It is said that at least a dozen railroad laborers are dead from the result of the severe cold.

LIVING IN THE COUNTRY.

One of the Best Signs of the Times Is the Growing Fondness for Country Life.

In the Ladies' Home Journal Edward Bok, with much satisfaction, notes the strong tendency to country living, and believes that "it is one of the best signs of the times. Nothing in the world keeps a man or woman so young and fresh as to be able to be in touch each day with the perpetual freshness and youth of Nature. Suburban life means more out-of-door living, and that is what we Americans all need. We want more exercise, and suburban living makes that possible. We want our interest in things kept fresh, and that Nature does for us as nothing else can. The more our busy men see of Nature's restful ways the more restful will they become. The closer we keep our children to the soil, the healthier they will be physically, and the stronger they will develop mentally. The more our girls breathe in the pure air which God intended for all, but which man in the cities pollutes, the better women we shall have; the fewer worried mothers we shall see. The more our young men see of our out-of-door sports the more clearly they will realize the greatness of their physical health. The more the tired housewife sees of flowers and plants and trees the closer will become her interest in all things natural and simple; and as she sees the simplicity with which Nature works, unconsciously will the lesson be forced upon her and enter into her own mind. We all know that there is no teacher like Nature herself. Let us, then, get as close to her as possible. Whatever she teaches is wholesome to the mind and uplifting to the soul and strengthening to the body. In the very act of studying her wonderful ways there is health."

The Mormon Temple.

A visitor to Salt Lake City, Utah, should not fail to see the "Temple Square," a plot of ten acres, enclosed by a wall 14 feet high, made of sun-dried bricks and small stones held together by mortar. Within this enclosure are the three main edifices of the Latter Day Saints. Here is found the Temple, whose construction occupied exactly 40 years, viz., from April 6, 1853, to April 6, 1893. It is a beautiful and artistic structure, built of creamy white granite, and costing over \$4,000,000. The temple is 186 feet long, 90 feet wide, and the walls 16 feet high, the towers being 222 feet 1/4 high.

This is a sacred building, whose interior has never been desecrated by the presence of a Gentile. In it are performed private religious ceremonies, sacraments, ordinations, spiritual marriages, etc.

The Tabernacle is a spacious structure, 250 feet by 150, and 80 feet in height, capable of seating 10,000 persons. In it the great Mormon public services are held.

Assembly Hall is a massive stone structure, devoted to the deliberations of the officials of the church. It cost \$50,000. Coming out from the Temple Square by the south gate and turning to the east, we pass the "Tithing House," and the church offices, where the contributions of the people are received and the business of the church is transacted. Adjoining are the "Zion" and "Beehive" houses, in which Brigham Young and some of his wives resided. On the opposite side of the street is the "Amelia Palace," erected by Brigham for his favorite helpmate, Amelia Folsom.

To Stop the Window Shade Flapping.

The flapping of the window shades, when the sash is raised and the shade lowered, is a serious annoyance to nervous people, who are generally light sleepers. The noise which the air and the shade make in this process is like nothing so much as "rapping, as of some one gently tapping, tapping at the chamber door," accompanied by a soft rustle as of stiff skirts. This in a gentle breeze; when the wind is high the noise is louder and more violent. If the shade is raised the sash will be blown back early in the morning, yet ventilation is absolutely necessary to health.

The way to prevent the tapping is very simple when one knows how. I screw two little brass hooks, one on each side of the window frame, opposite each other about 12 inches from the sill. At night tie the ribbon or broad tape across the open window, from one hook to the other, as sailors say "taint." Screw a third hook in the molding below the sill, exactly in the center. Pull down the shade over the ribbon, and tie the cord to the lower hook. The shade will be firmly held in place, and nothing short of a high wind or a rainstorm will cause noise enough to awaken you.

Knights of Trafalgar.

Very few people are aware of the existence of "The Knights of Trafalgar." Such a society was, however, established in 1809 in London to commemorate the battle of Trafalgar, and has since flourished as a benevolent institution in Spitalfields, where, in fact, it originated. At the annual meeting the other day, the statements were made that last winter the Knights of Trafalgar distributed nearly 10,000 loaves of bread and about the same number of coats of wool, and it will be admitted that a very worthy mode of paying honor to the name of Nelson. In 1809 Spitalfields was a very flourishing center; in these days it is a densely populated district, and the residents are almost entirely limited to the poorest class. Yet so admirable is the work done by the "Knights" that outdoor relief is now almost unknown in Spitalfields.

Some Causes of Insomnia.

An extended study of the phenomenon of insomnia by Dr. Menaceine, a Russian authority in medicine, brings him to the conclusion that it is characteristic of persons who think, laugh, weep readily, whose pulse is apt to become more or less slighter provocation. Loss of sleep, however, he admits most frequently results from overwork of either mind or body; overstrain of either kind will dilate the vessels of the brain, and eventually paralyze them, extreme cold producing the same results. Experiments also show that excessive of the emotions causes a rush of blood to the brain, and sleeplessness, if occurring near bedtime. There is a common theory that sleep is required in proportion to the scarcity of red corpuscles in the blood, and thus all persons do not correspond in their need of sleep, and many authorities agree that the need of sleep depends upon the strength of consciousness.

Railroad Profits by Comparison.

The percentage of profits on the railroads is, on the average, 5.40, as against 2.60 for Great Britain, 3.0 for the United States, and 2.84 for the Australian colonies.

HORRIBLE ACCIDENT.

COLLAPSE OF AN GAS TANK CONTAINING 8,000,000 GALLONS.

A Great Wave Deals Death and Destruction in Its Path—Many Persons Killed.

New York, Dec. 14.—The great steel gas tank of the Consolidated Gas company, at Avenue A and 20th street, the largest of its kind in the world, collapsed at 5.30 o'clock this afternoon. It went down with a crash and roar, like a great explosion. Masonry, granite blocks and bricks to the height of 50 feet fell like a child's toy house of blocks, and eight million gallons of water, loosened from bondage, deluged the streets and in a ten foot tidal wave, carried death and destruction through the surrounding neighborhood. It is not known yet how many were killed and injured, but the list will be a long one. Already the bodies of Andrew Wendt, a workman, and Pins Brum, an engineer in an adjacent factory building, have been recovered. About twenty-five people were injured more or less severely or almost drowned. All of the most severely injured were taken to Bellevue hospital by a number of ambulances that came to the scene of the disaster in answer to a general call. James O'Connor, foreman in Fuldner's factory, adjoining, and believed to have been in the basement with Engineer Brum, who was killed, is missing. Many people were caught in the streets by the rushing waters and were hurled hither and thither, receiving injuries of various kinds.

W. J. Logan, of the Logan Iron works, of Great Point Long Island, the contractor who was building the tank, arrived on the scene within a few minutes after the collapse, and was at once placed under arrest. Wm. H. Bralage, the chief engineer of the Consolidated Gas company, said to be jointly responsible for the work, with Contractor Logan, was also placed under arrest. To make the scene more terrible, the rushing waters tore up gas mains and destroyed electric lights causing almost complete darkness. This, later, was partially remedied, but the gas supply below Grand street was almost totally shut off for the night. The plant of the Consolidated Gas company occupies several blocks in the neighborhood of Avenue "A" and 20th street.

On Avenue A, beginning at Twentieth street, is the five-story brick factory of Henry Fuldner, manufacturer of extension tables. The other half of the block is occupied by five-story tenements, the property of the Gas company, and largely tenanted by its employees. Immediately back of the factory and tenements was the great steel tank, 178 feet in diameter, and 160 feet high. Rising out of the ground, and to a height of fifty feet was built a great circular wall of granite and brick, many feet in thickness. This was filled with 8,000,000 gallons of water. The tank was supported by eight great steel uprights 212 feet high. The water in the pit fitting against the tank made it "gas tight." A gang of men were at work under a foreman filling the pit with water to make the first water test. The great tank with a gas capacity of 3,600,000 cubic feet, and costing \$300,000, seemed to withstand the test well. The representatives of the company and the foreman in charge were congratulating themselves upon the success of the work. The laborers were even beginning to gather up their tools to knock off. There were many people on the streets and crowded street cars were coming and going; fifty or more men in the factory adjoining were finishing up their tasks. Then, suddenly, and without a moment's warning, came an awful crash. The men below scarcely time to fly from beneath the falling walls were they were picked up by the mass of rolling water and hurled hundreds of feet away.

Into the basements the first and second floors of factories and tenements rushed the angry floods, and with them went death and destruction.

Workmen were shot out of the factory windows and carried a block or more as if mere stars on the crest of the flood. Women were washed out of the flats from the first floors and almost drowned. Mary Ann O'Connell and her little four year old sister, Catherine, were seated at the front window on the second floor of No. 335 Avenue A. Before they could turn to flee a rush of water struck them, carrying them through the door and half a block down the street. Both were terribly injured, the little one perhaps fatally. Henry Fuldner was taken up bodily and carried almost to 21st street. His son was also carried out by the water, but was caught in the debris and but for the timely arrival of some workmen with axes he would have been drowned. Andrew Wendt, one of the killed, was near the base of the tank when it collapsed. He was caught by the rushing waters and borne an almost incredible distance. His mangled and almost naked body was found against an elevated railroad pillar at 21st street and 1st avenue, more than a block away.

The loss of the tank said to be complete is \$300,000. It is impossible to make an estimate of damage to contiguous property. The collapse of the tank caused great inconvenience in the down town restaurants and hotels, the elevated stations, all the ferry homes and theatres. The morning newspapers suffered more than any one else. Those that use Linotypes had a vast amount of trouble as a result of the failure of the gas pressure.

"My father's a general. What does your father do?" "Whatever mother tells him."

MR. CHARLTON'S LECTURE.

He Shows That Canada's Demands for Reciprocity Are Only Reasonable.

Washington, Dec. 13.—John Charlton, M. P., lectured last evening on Abraham Lincoln. He had for an audience Commissioner Dingley and many congressmen and many public men. He made it the occasion for some interesting general remarks. Referring to Anglo-American good-fellowship, which had grown out of the Spanish war, he said Canada shared in this feeling fully and the four commissioners representing the Dominion at this moment in Washington were all men of advanced liberal views thoroughly appreciating America's history and progress and having pride in her greatness and success. They were sincerely desirous of securing relations between the two Anglo-Saxon states upon the American continent of a more cordial nature than those that had marked the years of the past since 1866. They came to Washington asking no favors, but simply asking that the American government should do them bare justice. Their commercial attitude towards the United States was characterized by a liberality which had not been extended to them in return. They gave American imports entry at an average duty of 12 1/2 per cent. The rate of duty upon dutiable imports from the United States was less than from Great Britain or any other country. This liberal trade policy had resulted in the importation for consumption of 78,000,000 worth of American goods last year while under the restrictive policy of the United States they had been permitted to export to that country of the products of Canada less than \$40,000,000. They had consumed last year of American manufactures over \$35,000,000, a sum nearly \$7,000,000 in excess of their consumption of British manufactures. They had bought more of the products of the farm from the United States than they had sold to that country by three-fold and they asked for candid consideration of the actual commercial relations between the two countries and concessions in the trade policy that were fair and within the bounds of reasonable request.

Mr. Charlton then proceeded with an interesting and sympathetic sketch of the life of Lincoln.

The New Woman.

New York, Dec. 14.—At last the tables have been turned and a woman burglar has been found on a man's bed. When Emil Marx entered his flat in Brooklyn last night he saw a pair of legs disappear under his bed. He ordered the intruder to come forth and when the latter obeyed Marx found himself gazing into the penitent eyes of a young woman, who said she was Mrs. Pauline Bergman. Upon investigation Marx found that the pretty burglar had packed up all his valuables. The woman was arrested. She told a pitiful story of desertion by her husband. She said her two children were starving and she had to steal. The police found and cared for the children.

DEMAND A RANSOM.

Madrid, Dec. 14.—There is great irritation here at the continual refusal of the Filipinos to release the Spanish prisoners, who are said to exceed ten thousand in number. The insurgents are now demanding the Spanish to pay, as a ransom for these prisoners, the \$20,000,000 which she is to receive according to the terms of the peace treaty from the United States as compensation for money expended in the betterment of the Philippine Islands.

A Pathetic Scene.

Paris, Dec. 15.—Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Terry recently returned here from Aix Les Bains. For the past week Mr. Terry had been in a comatose condition, but he was conscious that the end was near. On Tuesday he said to his wife: "Dearest, I know I cannot escape this heart disease which makes me suffer so much. Please sing the air in which I heard you the first time, as from that day I loved you tenderly." Mr. Terry, who died yesterday, leaves a daughter 16 years of age by his first marriage. The funeral will take place on Friday.

Vancouver Notes.

Vancouver, Dec. 19.—The Hastings mill, destroyed by fire last October, is to be rebuilt. When finished it will have a capacity for turning out 200,000 feet of lumber per day.

One thousand Italians are in their way west over the C. P. R. They have been secured for work on the White Pass railway.

To Dissolve the Chamber.

Madrid, Dec. 13.—It is asserted here that the premier, Senor Sagasta, will obtain a royal decree dissolving the chambers before the ratification of the peace treaty.

The semi-official Correo announces that Senor Sagasta, before asking the cortes to ratify the treaty, will confer with Senor Montero Rios, president of the Spanish commission. It is further asserted that owing to the existence of opposition to the treaty, the United States senate will not confirm it.

A dispatch from Iloilo, island of Panay, in the Philippine islands, reports the situation there as unchanged. General Rios, the Spanish commander there, is preparing to remove his troops to Mindanao.

Where Chemistry Failed.

Mrs. De Jones—My baby spilled about a quart of ink on a lot of old rags, and a drop or two got on my best dress. Have you anything that will take ink out?

Honest Druggist—I have many things that will remove ink from old rags, but I don't know of anything that will take ink out of a best dress.—New York Weekly.

THE MOOSE JAW TIMES.

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BLUCHER AND THE KING.

The Story of How the Old Warrior Quit Gambling.

"Blucher, like many prominent men of his time, was a reckless gambler. The king, who was much attached to him, had paid his debts over and over again, but it was of no use. The old marshal had gone through his wife's property as well as his own, and his pay was always spent in advance. Once he was 'dead broke' and had to go to the king. 'If I got you out of this scrape, will you promise me not to gamble again?' said the king. Blucher gave the promise and added as the king gave him 100,000 thalers, 'I will go straight home to my wife and settle half of this money upon her, so that I shall not be able to touch it, and I will then pay up all my debts and never touch a card any more.' Blucher went home, gave 50,000 to his wife and after dinner sallied forth to pay his debts. At midnight Blucher's wife was roused from her slumber by one of her husband's staff officers, who had been sent for 25,000 thalers. 'Dear, good man,' said the lady, 'I knew he would want it before morning, so I have put up just that sum in a package for him. Here it is, and tell him to be careful about the cold air coming home and to muffle up well.' The officer departed, only to return after a few hours for the rest of the money, with the same success. Blucher went home to breakfast in the morning, having lost every penny of the king's gift at play. 'Again Blucher went to the king, told the whole story and listened attentively to all the reproaches until his majesty said, 'Uncle—do so they call Blucher, 'uncle—I thought you gave me your sacred word of honor that you would not play cards for money again.' 'No, sir, answered Blucher, 'I did not give my sacred word of honor.' 'Will you give it to me now?' asked the king. 'Ach, that is a hard thing to ask from Blucher,' replied the hero of Waterloo. But after some grumbling the sacred promise was given, and old 'Vorwaerts' stopped gambling." —St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

THE ENGLISH IN INDIA.

How They Stand the Climate and Manage Domestic Affairs.

It may be interesting to note how English people live in India. Those that have been used to a climate like ours cannot, without great danger and sacrifice, live as the natives do, so they adopt a style that prudence and experience have suggested as best suited to the conditions that exist there. In nearly all the larger cities the houses of the Europeans are found in the suburbs, surrounded by large plots of ground, often four or five acres. The kitchen is a small house, all by itself, at one side of the dwelling house or in the rear. Owing to the extreme heat, white women cannot possibly do their own work. The climate is such that manual work is simply out of the question. Servants are easily obtainable, and with their assistance, when one has a genius for managing them, living in that country is not only tolerable, but even pleasant. Servants will work indefinite hours each day for \$1.50 a month and support themselves. They are neat and quiet, and almost invariably perform their respective duties in an efficient manner. It takes 12 or 15 servants to run a house well. Many ladies have even a larger number. The matter of expense is not a serious matter to the wives of European officials, who draw excellent salaries. —Vick's Magazine.

British Sharks.

British sharks are very substantial facts. The largest of them is an innocuous giant that basks in the sunshine and perhaps feeds on nothing larger than a shrimp. But the blue shark and porbeagle, both of which grow to a length of several yards and a weight of hundreds of pounds, are vicious pests and most unwelcome on the fishing grounds. The former takes his favorite pleasure in eating mackerel out of the nets, doing as much damage in its disentanglement as will absorb a fisherman's weekly wage to make good. Wherefore it comes about that as soon as one is hauled aboard the fishermen forget their accustomed mildness, and, seizing it close to the tail, belabor with its shovel shaped head the nearest thwart until peace reigns once more. The porbeagle is a somewhat less active and less vicious animal of duller hue and of a smell that passes any other on sea or land. To prevent its blood imparting the odor of the abattoir to the boat the porbeagle is usually slain over the side and is then ignominiously slung, in a noose at the bow. —Saturday Review.

TUNE TOPICS.

When a 2-year-old, John Nolan could pace a mile in 2:18 1/4.

Salfano, 2:29 1/4, by Salfano, 2:16 1/4, is the first standard performer for his sire.

John Nolan was named in honor of a big hearted Irishman of Cripple Creek, Colo.

For creating new track records Democracy is the "whole thing." This season he has made 16.

In the first heat of the 2:30 pace at Columbus Starter Lehman sent the field off 17 away the first time down.

The pacing stallion Concilio, 2:12 1/4, by Delinquent, will be out as a trotter next season. He is now 10 years old.

Hans McGregor, by his performance at Columbus, now holds the 2 mile record for guideless wonders to harness.

Gray Dawn, the trotting bred cob that has been winning blue ribbons in the east, was bred in Iowa, where he was known as David Belmont. His sire is Davenant, 2:26 1/4.

The government report for 1897 says that the improvement in horses in Arizona has been far more rapid and permanent in the past few years than is known to the casual observer.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

AUSTRALIAN CORAL REEF.

Twelve Hundred Miles Long, and One of the World's Wonders.

That great barrier reef which fringes the coast of Queensland north of Brisbane in the direction of Torres Straits must always rank among the wonders of the world. For 1,200 miles the coral animal, which has raised a solid protectant against the rage of the ocean swell at a distance varying from 20 to 150 miles from the shore, leaving a comparatively safe and calm inner passage, suitable for navigation by the largest steamers on their voyages north and east. Sydney channels penetrate the reef at intervals, and whole fleets of trading schooners are regularly engaged amid the intricate labyrinth of coral islets.

Those who have seen the skeleton madrepores and branching corals on the shelves of a museum can form no conception of the surpassing beauty of the living organisms, vigorous at the very surface of the translucent sea. On the abbing tips we find every description of animated coral growth exposed from the rounded masses of brain coral to the stag's horn madrepores, those of corymbous form and a variety too numerous to mention. The brilliant coloration of the myriads of polyps includes every shade, from the more somber brown of the fungia tribe to delicate lemon yellows, lilac, pink, rich green interspersed with golden hues, apple greens tipped with violet, bright red, chocolate, purple and even blue. The various aggregations of minute vivacious animals possess all modifications of radiating symmetrical form. Some have club headed tentacles, others expand in a feathery fringe, while the number of rays to each organism varies according to the families and genera of coral classification.

These gardens of the sea are too beautiful for words. By subtle transitions the lime secreting corals pass into the uncovered sea anemones of resplendent kinds, and the reefs swarm with numberless echinoderms, nudibranch molluscs and particular fishes of most extraordinary shape and size. Everything in the tropical seas assumes a striking brilliancy of color and the twenty or more kinds of holothuria are not the least interesting among the organisms which abound. —London Standard.

The Behan Silver Statue.

A Kansas paper says that the celebrated Montana silver statue of Ada Behan, which was one of the features of the World's fair, is not silver at all, only lead with a silver skin. It was supposed to have been worth \$30,000, but a Chicago firm which holds it for debt cannot find buyers at \$1,000.

Sewage as a Fertilizer.

Three years ago Paris began to dispose of its sewage, after the manner of Berlin, by turning it into fields planted with orchards and vegetables. One-fourth of the sewage is already thus disposed of, and it is hoped that in two more years the whole of it will be.

APHORISMS.

Be not merely good; be good for something. —Thoreau.

Evil is wrought by want of thought as well as by want of heart. —Hood.

Our ancestors have traveled the iron age. The golden is before us. —St. Pierre.

We are indebted to Christianity for gentleness, especially toward women. —G. Simmon.

God governs the world, and we have only to do our duty wisely and leave the issue to him. —John Jay.

Good taste rejects excessive nicety. It treats little things as little things and is not hurt by them. —Feulton.

No man was ever so completely skilled in the conduct of life as not to receive new information from age and experience. —Terence.

Our lives by acts exemplary not only win ourselves good names, but do to others give matter for virtuous deeds, by which we live. —Chapman.

Narrow minded and ignorant persons talk about persons and not things; hence gossip is the bane and disgrace of so large a portion of society. —Sheridan.

HEALTHY, HAPPY WOMEN.

Pain and Weakness Banished through the use of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills.

It's sad to think that so many women suffer from pain, Weak Spells, Heart Palpitation, Sinking Sensations,



Nervousness, Sleeplessness—who could be restored to the full enjoyment of perfect health by a few boxes of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills.

There can be no question about the efficacy of this remedy. Thousands of women, have found it do all that is claimed for it. Here is the testimony of Mrs. G. Wesley Street, Montreal, N.B.

"Before taking Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills I used to suffer untold agony from violent headaches, irregular action of the heart, together with pains or spasms in various parts of my body."

"Sometimes I felt so weak that I was unable to look after my domestic duties. However, I had to endure this worry and trouble, because all the remedies I tried failed to give me relief, until happily I heard of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills."

I had only been taking them a short time when I felt greatly benefited. This encouraged me to continue their use until a complete cure was effected."

"I have not been troubled with a headache since taking these pills. They increased my appetite, invigorated my entire system, and gave me back my old time strength and vigor."

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ST. VITUSDANCE.

A TROUBLE THAT CAUSES ITS VICTIMS MUCH INCONVENIENCE.

Winfred Schofield, of Gasperau, N. S., Tells How He Obtained a Speedy and Permanent Cure.

From the Acadia, Wolfville, N. S.

The many cases brought to his notice of residents in this vicinity being cured from physical disorders through the agency of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, have created in the mind of the Acadia representative a sincere belief in the healing powers of this remedy. Yet without he was a little incredulous the other day when told of a young man who had been cured of a very serious and deplorable disease by the use of only some two boxes of these little miracle workers. It seemed impossible that such a remarkable healing could be wrought even by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in such short order. Accordingly he was possessed of a strong desire to investigate. Mr. Winfred Schofield, of Gasperau, was the address given us by our informant, and were not long in hunting him up. We found Mr. Schofield to be a bright young man of about twenty years of age and of more than ordinary intelligence. His air of candor and straightforwardness dispelled any doubts we may have had. In a very few words he stated to us his case. "Two years ago," he said, "I was taken with an attack of St. Vitus Dance. Sometimes when at work I found that my fingers would be at once straightened out and I would be compelled to drop anything I was holding. One day I was using an axe when seized with one of these attacks. The axe slipped from my hands and in falling struck my foot and gave it a nasty cut. After that you can depend upon it I left axes alone, and it was not long before I had to give up using any kind of tool. My complaints rapidly grew worse and I was soon unfitted for any sort of work. Everything possible was tried by me in order to get relief, but I got no better. At last one day a neighbor of mine, Mr. Fred Fielding, who had been cured by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, advised me to give them a trial, offering to pay for them himself if they did not help me. As it turned out he was safe enough in making the offer. I followed his advice, but had scarcely begun to use them when I began to feel very much better. After using two boxes I was perfectly cured and have never been troubled with the complaint since. I am confident that to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills alone I owe my cure."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills create new blood, build up the nerves, and thus drive disease from the system. In hundreds of cases they have cured after other medicines have failed, thus establishing the claim that they are a marvel among the triumphs of modern medical science. The gentle Pink Pills are sold only in boxes, bearing the full trademark "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People." Protect yourself from imposition by refusing any pill that does not bear the registered trade mark around the box. If in doubt send direct to Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., and they will be mailed to you post paid at 50c a box, or six boxes for \$2.50.

The Last Execution at Tyburn.

The last execution at Tyburn took place on Friday, Nov. 7, 1783, in the person of John Austin, convicted on the preceding Saturday of robbing John Spicer and cutting and wounding him in a cruel manner. In Walford's "Old and New London" it is erroneously said that "the last criminal executed here was one Ryland, who was hung (sic) for forgery in 1783." William Ryland was executed on Aug. 29, two months before the date of Austin's conviction, and many a poor wretch made the fatal pilgrimage to Tyburn in the interval, hanging by wholesale being the rule in those days.

The long procession westward had been attended by such disgraceful scenes that the authorities resolved to hang criminals henceforth outside Newgate prison straight from the condemned cell. Accordingly on Dec. 8, 1783, the recorder ordered the erection of a scaffold in front of the jail, of which a notice and descriptive engraving appear in The Gentleman's Magazine for the same month, and on the 10th the new hanging place was inaugurated by the execution of ten malefactors. —Notes and Queries.

Bismarck as an Escort.

A Stockholm newspaper tells a story about Bismarck, for which an aged Swedish lady is the authority. Nearly 60 years ago, when a girl, she went to Berlin, where she expected to meet a cousin, then studying at the university there. This cousin appeared and proved to be a fascinating youth. For several days he was a constant escort and a charming companion. It was only when she was on the eve of departure that he made the explanation. "You see, my dear cousin, I am not your cousin. My friend, your cousin, is so very busy preparing for an examination that he has asked me to take his place. My name is Otto von Bismarck." In 1856, when the lady made her next visit to Berlin, she called on the chancellor, who remarked: "I have to thank you that I once succeeded in seeing the Berlin matrons. I have never seen them again." —London Chronicle.

CONSUMPTION.

What a Well-Known Medical Journal Says About the King of Diseases.

"This is essentially an age of scientific progress. Science is inviting us to go hand in hand. Thanks to a distinguished chemist, consumption is robbed of its terrors, deprived of its destructiveness, and this fatal disease can first be relieved and then cured."

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TALE OF A JESTER.

Who Joked His Pursuer Who Vainly Tried to Slay Him.

Lord Malmsbury used to relate a good story told him by one of Napoleon's officers—an incident of the peninsular campaign. The French officer was reconnoitering with three or four troopers, when they came suddenly upon a young English officer similarly occupied, mounted on a superb thoroughbred horse. Summoned by the French colonel to surrender, he quietly cantered away with a mocking smile on his face. The Frenchman, who rode a heavy horse, pursued at full gallop. The Englishman allowed him to get quite close. Then, kneeling his hand, pointing to his horse, "A Norman horse, sir," he said, "I am giving the thoroughbred his head was soon out of sight. It was most amusing to hear the colonel tell this story and describe his rage, adding, however, that he had always felt glad that he had not shot 'the brave jester.'"

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The Age of an Oyster.

It is just as easy to tell the age of an oyster by looking at its shell as it is to ascertain the age of a horse by examining its teeth, or a tree by inspecting the circles revealed by the ax or saw when it is laid low. When the oyster is 6 months old, it is as big as a dime; when 1 year old, it will cover a silver half dollar, and when 2 years old, will be about the circumference of a silver dollar.

The oyster, unlike the crab, is not obliged to seek new quarters or build a new house every time he grows appreciably. The extensions that he puts on his house are clearly marked by a well defined ridge.

Oysters are esteemed to be at their best when between 4 and 5 years of age, and the planters endeavor to protect the beds for that length of time. Conscientious oyster men—that is, men who are not inclined to kill the goose that lays the golden egg—always return to the bed oysters that are too young, but in "cave" a patriarch is brought up, over whose shell the tides of from 8 to 12 winters and summers have ebbed and flowed, he is sent to market, where he is put at the bottom of the heap and sold with his younger and more luscious companions. —Pearson's Weekly.

Pressure of the Ocean.

There are spots in the ocean where the water is five miles deep. If it is true that the pressure of water on any body in the water is one pound to the square inch for every two feet of the depth anything at the bottom of one of the "five-mile-holes" would have a pressure about it of 13,200 pounds to every square inch. There is nothing of human manufacture that would resist such a pressure.

It is known that the pressure of a well-corked glass bottle at the depth of 300 feet is so great that the water will force its way through the pores of the glass. It is also said that pieces of wood have been weighed and sunk in the sea to such a depth that the tissues have become so condensed that the wood has lost its buoyancy and would never float again. It could not even be made to burn when dry.

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Before our next issue the festive and happy season will have come round again, and the annual family gatherings on these occasions, looked forward to by old and young throughout the year, will have taken place. The Moose Jaw Times conveys to all its friends and readers the compliments of the coming season, and sincerely wishes all a bright and merry Christmas.

MUNICIPAL VS. POLITICAL AFFAIRS.

In reporting the public meeting of the ratepayers of Regina, The Leader makes the following timely remarks, which are applicable to nearly every town in the Territories, Moose Jaw included:

When one thinks of the relative importance of municipal and political affairs, and the notorious disparity of interest displayed by the average citizen in the one as compared with the other, the question forces itself into notice. Whether or not the Average Citizen is after all a rational and thinking being? The usual political meeting whether related to Federal or Territorial affairs, fills the Regina town hall to the edge of the wainscot. A municipal meeting fails to draw a crowd as large as will collect on a street corner in five minutes if two dogs get into a tangle, and scarcely justifies the lighting of a fire or the turning on of the incandescent lamps. Last year's civic meeting found ample accommodation in the council chamber, and last Friday night's gathering would have had a less straggly appearance had it been held in a place less spacious than the town hall.

Elected will lie awake at night pondering the momentous political problems when an election is on for seats in Parliament or Assembly. They will drive their horses to death and empty their purses to the last cent in the interest of the side upon which they range themselves. A month's time almost wholly devoted to a campaign is counted nothing. At the time of each election the Average Citizen gets into a state of eagerness and suspense which could only be justified if the question involved the importance of life and death. Is there the question so important? The political issues are doubtless very important and political principles are worthy of interest and of exertion. But compared with the question of municipal management, are they really so much more important as to warrant the very much greater interest and exertion which are felt in them and put forth in their behalf? There is only one answer. The fact seems to be that relatively undue importance is attached to political and civic affairs. The former are not intrinsically so important as to justify the exceeding interest displayed in them, and the latter deserve very much greater interest and attention than is given them.

The annual tax levied and collected by the Regina town council amounts to nearly \$9 per head of population. What is the Territorial tax? Nothing. What is the Dominion tax? We have not the precise figures at hand, but may safely say that it is not nearly so much as \$9. Counting the population of the Dominion at 5,000,000, and the total annual revenue at \$40,000,000 it will be seen that the total federal collections from the people of Canada are not more than \$8 per head, and of this sum considerable portions go to the provincial governments for expenditure and through them back to the municipalities and school boards. Five or six dollars a head is probably the limit of expenditures by the Dominion Government. Including the Government grants for schools the annual expenditure made by the school board and town council of Regina will be in the neighborhood of \$11 per head of population. Nevertheless federal affairs are deemed of paramount importance to judge by the fervor with which the Average Citizen treats them, while civic business, judging by the same standard, is of no account at all. Even the honorable position of Mayor of the town of Regina goes begging.

We have been greatly pleased with the result of an experiment tried in connection with our "Children's Column." The Editor of that department is to be congratulated on the happy inspiration that has drawn the attention of our children to a matter that is so close in touch with their welfare. The easiest mistake of the many that parents make is that of training children in supreme selfishness. The utter helplessness of the little one is its

strongest hold on its parents' hearts. Father and mother overlook the fact that the child soon ceases to be an infant,—that it is the duty of the parent to draw the child out of the infant phase and bring him into that of hopeful self-reliance. Another reason for this unwholesome propping of children is that it is the lazy way. It is so much easier to fetch the cup of water than to show the child the where and the how. This misdirected over tenderness is unfortunately the natural mistake of those whose training is in other respects most excellent. It is the mistake more especially of the self-sacrificing, indulging mother, who, woman-like, gives her strength and all to her family. We think that the letters from the little ones, printed in another column, give one more effective way for the cure of selfishness on the part of children. We are sure that the letters will be read with interest by the parents of Moose Jaw.

A recent Post Office Department circular says: The attention of postmasters and the public is called to the fact that no parcel can be sent from Canada to any other country by parcel post unless it bears a customs declaration setting forth the nature of its contents and its value. As the acceptance by a postmaster of a parcel addressed to any other country, and not provided with a customs declaration, will result in its being sent to the dead letter office, postmasters are specially directed not to accept such parcels without the customs declaration.

We have been requested to draw the attention of our readers to the fact that no trains leave Montreal on Sunday. There is therefore no mail received at Moose Jaw from points east of Winnipeg on Wednesday. There is also no mail leaves Vancouver on Sunday, therefore there is no mail goes east of Winnipeg on Friday. Letters posted in Moose Jaw on Thursday will therefore be held over in Winnipeg until Saturday. This may explain some delays for which postmasters or the mail service usually get the blame.

The Farmers' Binder Twine Company, of Brantford, Ont., is said to have just paid the astonishing dividend of 80 per cent. on the capital stock for the year ending October 15. The company accounts for the enormous profits by the good crops, and the fact that they had been able to purchase Manila fibre at an unusually low price. It is also generally understood that the original shareholders have already drawn dividends equal to the stock they put into the concern.

We would respectfully direct the attention of our readers to the following: "A true bill was brought in at the Toronto assizes against T. Eaton & Co., Ltd., of that city, for selling silverware under false trade descriptions. The firm advertised silverware as quadruple plate, and sold a set of four pieces for \$3.00, "worth \$12.00," to a Toronto citizen, who submitted them to an expert test and found the value of the four pieces to be less than 8 cents."

Town Council.

At the regular meeting of the town council held on Monday evening the following accounts were ordered to be paid: D. Simpson & Co., \$18.40; R. Bogue, \$5.95; G. B. C. Sharpe, \$65.50; W. W. Bode, \$400; The Times, \$16.00; H. Battell, \$3,000; Wm. Grayson, salary as solicitor, \$18,000. Orders were also drawn in favor of R. Board, \$18.50, and Wm. Grayson, \$5.74, refund on tax sale purchase. A communication was received from H. U. Morrison re old plank of bridge, stating that he had made arrangements with the acting chairman of the Board of Works to pay for same with cordwood. On motion the matter was left over for future consideration.



When a young woman sits down and ponders over her future life, there is one all-important subject which she should not forget. In a day dream she may build castles in the air with a happy home, laughing children and a loving husband in the foreground. At that moment she may be facing death. Matrimony and motherhood hold out no happiness also young women who suffer from weakness and disease of the distinctly feminine organism. The woman who suffers in this way will be a weak, nervous, sickly, petulant wife, an incapable mother and an unamiable hostess. Not knowing the truth, her acquaintances will not understand that she is deserving of pity rather than reproach. Any woman may be strong and healthy in a womanly way if she will use the right remedy. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the best of all medicines for weak and ailing women. It acts directly on the delicate and important organs that make wifehood and motherhood possible. It makes them strong, healthy and vigorous. It banishes the dangers that surround maternity. It insures a healthy baby and an ample supply of nourishment. Thousands of women who were weak, sickly, nervous invalids, are now healthy, robust wives and competent mothers of healthy children, as the result of the use of this medicine.

Mrs. John M. Conklin, of Patterson, Putnam Co., N. Y. (Box 100) writes: "I am a joyful, perfect health and have been since I took the last bottle of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. I had fallen of the internal organs, and was very weak when I commenced taking your medicine."

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We wish our many friends and customers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.—R. E. Plaxton, Watchmaker and Jeweler.....

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E. L. COLLING.

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INSPECT OUR STOCK

of pipes, tobaccos, cigars, cigarettes, and smokers' supplies. Our stock of Christmas Candy is complete in every line.

JUBILEE STORE.

On a Gift Hunt?

A hunt through our stock will reveal a great many new things for Xmas. See our easels, screens, sleighs, music cabinets, and a great variety of case goods, hall racks, couches, etc., etc. We have also a nice line of pictures, picture frames, paper racks, etc. Allow us the privilege of showing you our goods, we know we can please you.

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We are just unloading a 30-ton car of Oxford Steel Ranges, Base Burners and Air Tight Heaters; a limited number of which were not spoken for. Order early and secure the car load freight rate.

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A CHRISTMAS WISH.

I'd load a wagon with caramels,
And candy of every kind ;
And buy all the almond and pecan nuts
And taffy that I could find.
And barrels and barrels of oranges
I'd scatter right in the way,
So the children would find them the very first thing
When they woke on Christmas Day.

saucer of nice warm milk in one corner. Nobody wanted it, and when it tried to follow the people, they said "Shoo," and "Seat," and one boy threw a stone at it. It began to grow dark,—it grows dark in the north in December. The weather was colder too, and the stars came peeping out, and the first flakes of a real Christmas snowstorm began floating down through the air. The kitten meowed a miserable little mew, and meowed more as it could that it was very hungry, and fluffed out its fur to keep itself warm, but in spite of that the little shivers began to creep over its back.

It was now up above the street (hiding behind the chimneys perhaps, for you never could have seen him) was Santa Claus giving a last pull at each strap and buckle before starting out on his evening's round. And when he saw that loose-toed little kitten, he stopped for a moment of looking sorry, as you would suppose, he smiled. Santa Claus smiled.

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MURDERER REPRIEVED

MURDERER OF WILBUR BURTON
WILL NOT HANG NEXT FRIDAY.

Interval Between the Reception of
Judge's Report and Date of
Execution Too Short.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—The case of Paul Brown, awaiting execution at Winnipeg on Friday, Dec. 23, for the murder of Wilbur E. Burton, has been engaging the attention of the department of justice, and the government. It was discussed at a meeting of the ministers held yesterday, and will come up at this afternoon's meeting of the cabinet.

The interval between the reception of the judge's report on the case and the date set for the execution is so short that an opportunity has not been given for full consideration of the evidence of Brown's insanity, which has been submitted. It has been ascertained that the prisoner was chained up at Cleveland, Tenn., for two years as a dangerous lunatic, and his actions since his arrest for the murder of Burton have been such as to confirm the belief in his insanity. If his affliction is such as to render him irresponsible for his acts there is no precedent for exacting the death penalty. The case will come up at this afternoon's cabinet meeting and a respite will be ordered so that further enquiry may be made.

FRIENDLY ADVANCES.

Russia Anxious for an Understanding
With Great Britain.

New York, Dec. 18.—Mr. Henry Norman, embassador to the Times from London to-day, has this to say regarding the apparent desire of Russia for a better understanding with Great Britain: "It is gradually leaking out in diplomatic circles that negotiations of some kind are proceeding between Great Britain and Russia with a view of discovering whether the present unbreakable drift toward a rupture cannot be stopped. Count Muraviev has recently been much in the confidence of the czar. Indeed, one of his subordinates is now practically the Russian foreign minister. But he made certain representations to the British ambassador at St. Petersburg which resulted in a kind of unofficial mission for the Grand Duke Sergei, who, with the Grand Duchess, is visiting the Queen at Windsor. The next step was a visit of Baron De Staal, the Russian ambassador here, to Lord Salisbury at Lifford. Next came the remarkable speech of M. Tatlenchik, the Russian financial councillor, at a meeting of the Anglo-Russian Oil company here, in which he gave a strongly worded invitation to bring a treaty of commerce to Russia, and an eloquent plea for a neutral political understanding. All this has been supported by representations from the German emperor and inspired utterances in the German press. Germany desires to extend her present understanding with England, but being held back by fear of affronting Russia, whose vast army on her frontier is the only thing she fears.

"To-morrow a great number of churches and chapels will hold a special service will be held in support of the czar's peace scheme, and Mr. W. T. Stead is working hard to bring about a European peace pilgrimage, to conclude with an interview with the czar himself. My information is the Anglo-Russian understanding is not making such progress as was to be hoped, despite every desire on the part of the British government. The difficulty is that Russia has already secured everything in the far east that she wishes for years and now desires to set the seal of accomplishment on it, and without agreeing to allow England to interfere in China. It becomes, however, more and more evident that Russia must, by hook or by crook, insure herself against external complications. Her treasury is drained dry by the demands for the navy and the Trans-Siberian railway. She is spending money like water at Port Arthur. She has discovered that the Siberian railway will disappoint the hopes of commercial development, and is untried at large scale. She must have \$200,000,000 roubles in order to provide the army with quick firing artillery, before she can fight on land. Macedonia is seething, and an explosion may come at any time, when she would have to move an army. Famine is devastating whole territories. Leprosy is spreading, and has five thousand victims, many of whom are rejected for this disease. An enteric fever is absolutely essential to her, and hitherto she has failed to rule it on favorable terms in Berlin, in Paris, or in London. Therefore, though nobody questions the loftiness of the czar's soul, the fact is that Russia's love of peace is making a virtue of necessity. So far as England is concerned, however, Russia can lay the foundation of peace when she will."

Lord Kitchener's College.

London, Dec. 18.—It is said that General Lord Kitchener's Gordon Memorial college scheme will not be put through without a protest, which, however, will be utterly in vain, as the money has already been subscribed. As is well known General Kitchener absolutely refused all entreaties to make the college a Christian institution, saying that if the college was to be of any practical value it must be not only non-Christian, but actually Muslim in its constitution and teaching. Gordon's sister, it is reported, is about to make a public protest against any institution from which the Bible is excluded purporting to perpetuate the memory of her illustrious brother, who, above all things, was an ardent Christian. She may be dissuaded from making such a futile protest, but there is undoubtedly a considerable number of persons who are unable to see the absolute necessity of General Kitchener's resolve. When the Guardian, the best known and most weighty church organ, expressed its agreement with Lord Kitchener, even advocating the teaching of the Moslem religion, it raised a considerable storm among a part of its readers.

British Jack Stars.

Victoria, Dec. 15.—Travelers from the far east report that during the recent Franco-British crisis, the crews of H. M. S. ships at anchor in Hong Kong harbor gave a practical demonstration of what could be done in the way of landing a naval brigade under most adverse circumstances. Saturday is the busiest day on board ship, when every one is actively engaged in clearing up and the men were suddenly surprised when a signal was made by Admiral Fitzgerald, from the battleship, to land all available men. Cleaning operations were stopped immediately, and in about twenty minutes between 1,500 and 2,000 men had been landed from the ships, including marines and field gun crews, carrying a hundred rounds of ammunition and two days' provisions per man. Heavy field guns were also brought ashore. The men then formed up and marched through the town, headed by the ships' bands. The field gun crews dragging the guns. They made a brave show in their rough and tumble clothes, with blankets strapped over their shoulders, and created quite a stir in town by their surprise visit. No previous notice had been given to the ships by the admiral, and the men are commended for the energy with which they effected a landing.

Impolitic Priests.

San Juan, Dec. 15.—The Roman Catholic priests at Ponce have issued a proclamation directing their people not to go near Protestants, nor to receive presents from them, and forbidding them to enter the houses of Protestants. The priests denounce as illegal marriages performed by other than themselves. Gen. Henry, the military commander of the island, has notified the alcalde of Ponce to inform the priests that they must stop issuing such disquieting proclamations and that the denouncing of religious denominations will not be tolerated. The alcalde is further instructed to tell the priests that if the action complained of is persisted in the military will put an end to it.

Four Were Faten.

Brussels, Dec. 14.—Advices received here from the governor of the Upper Congo confirm the news that four Belgian traders had been killed and eaten by the natives of Upper Ubanghi. The governor adds that the traders, a party of thirty soldiers were massacred and that another detachment of soldiers in charge of two white officers who were proceeding to the assistance of the traders, were surprised by the natives and all were put to death.

Turkish Outrages Increasing.

Constantinople, Dec. 14.—According to reports received here the outrages by Moslems on the Christians in Armenia are increasing. In addition there is great distress among the Armenians, who in many places are starving. Unless aid is brought them soon the widows and orphans who survive the massacre will be wiped out.

Four Killed.

New York, Dec. 16.—A wagon containing eight persons was struck by a train on the Pennsylvania railroad this evening at the crossing at Ellenswood, a few miles from Mansquan, N. J., and four were killed. Two were fatally injured and the other two were recovered. The dead are Mrs. Ellen Allen, Bessie Allen, her daughter; Mrs. Alice Alger, Jennie Cramer. The fatally injured are David S. Allen, husband of Mrs. Allen, who was killed; Katie Allen, their daughter.

They Like Manitoba.

Red Wing, Minn., Dec. 14.—L. P. Emery and F. D. Bullock, of Stanton, who visited British possessions and went to Manitoba as a committee appointed to inspect that section with a view of establishing a colony there, have returned and bring glowing accounts of the resources of the province and its many advantages to those desiring to emigrate from here. It is expected that many residents from Goodhue county will locate in Manitoba.

Military Government.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The war department to-day made public the formal order providing for the military government of Cuba. The notable feature of the order is that Major-General Ludlow, who is designated as military governor of Havana city, while nominally subordinate to the division commander, General Brooke, is apparently charged to exercise all the civil functions in that place under the direct authority of the president. General Lee's functions appear to be limited to those of a strictly military character, although it is said at the war department he may be eventually charged with all the duties, civil as well as military, of the governor of a province.

Died in New York.

New York, Dec. 14.—Baron C. de Longueuil, of French descent, died suddenly of heart disease as he was eating dinner in the Holland House Cafe to-night. The baron has lived in Scotland for the last twelve years. It is said he has large property interests in Canada. He arrived in this city from London on Nov. 25th. C. M. Mathews, of Montreal, a warm friend of the baron's, was with him until Friday last. He was notified of the baron's death.

BANK CLEARINGS.

New York, Dec. 16.—Bank clearings for the Dominion of Canada were as follows: Montreal \$18,222,382, increase 87.3 per cent; Toronto \$11,077,555, increase 84 per cent; Winnipeg \$2,231,289, increase 7.9 per cent; Halifax \$1,373,330, decrease 24.4 per cent; Hamilton \$779,963, increase 16.7 per cent; St. John \$666,541, increase 2.8 per cent; Vancouver \$758,206; Victoria \$623,559.

A Fatal Collision.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 15.—A passenger train on the Florida Central and Pennsylvania railroad was wrecked this evening near Madison by a collision with cattle on the track. Six persons were killed, as follows: E. H. Chandler, engineer; Jas. Evans, fireman; John T. Sullivan, of St. Augustine, attached to the army; Rev. W. W. Coleman, colored preacher, of Jacksonville; John A. Rhoades, of Pensacola, colored, and Alfred Austin, colored.

ARE COMING HOME.

AMERICAN COMMISSION TO SAIL
FOR HOME TODAY.

Protests From Agoncillo—The Philippines Will Resist the Sale of Their Country.

Paris, Dec. 16.—The entire American peace commission leaves here for the United States, via Havre, and Southampton tonight, and sail for New York tomorrow on board the American line steamer St. Louis.

Agoncillo, the representative of Aguinaldo, the Filipino leader, lodged a strongly worded protest with the commission, which thus becomes part of the records. It begins with saying that the very noble and gallant General Aguinaldo, president of the Philippine republic, had honored him with the post of official representative to the very honorable president of the United States.

Agoncillo then reviews the case at length, saying at the time of "impugning the armed co-operation of Aguinaldo and the other Philippine chiefs," both the commander of the Petrel, Capt. Wood, in Hong Kong, before the declaration of war, and the American consul-general, Pratt, in Singapore, Wisman in Hong Kong, and Williams at Cavite, "acting as the international agents of the great American nation at a moment of great anxiety, offered to stop issuing such disquieting proclamations and that the denouncing of religious denominations will not be tolerated. The alcalde is further instructed to tell the priests that if the action complained of is persisted in the military will put an end to it.

The protest then recites how Admiral Dewey, by numerous acts is alleged to have recognized the autonomist sovereignty of the Philippines and in picturesque language calls for the fulfillment of the solemn declaration made by the illustrious Wm. McKinley, that on going to war he was not guided by the intention of an extension of territory, but only by the principle of humanity, by the duty of liberating a tyrannical people, and by the desire to proclaim the inalienable rights with their sovereignty of the countries released from the yoke of Spain.

London, Dec. 16.—Agoncillo, the representative of Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader in the Philippine Islands, sails for New York on Saturday, as he alleges, in order to resume his duties as the representative of the Filipino government at Washington. In an interview he said: "The only portion of the Spanish-American treaty with which we are concerned is the cession of the Philippines, which is illegal and the Spaniards have lost their sovereignty over the islands and the Americans cannot dispose of them without consulting the Filipinos. Their consent by popular vote is necessary, as universal suffrage forms the basis of the American constitution, the United States cannot but carry out this measure. The result of peace commissioners' deliberations is only satisfactory to us inasmuch as Spain is turned out of the Philippine Islands. I do not know officially why the Filipinos have not released the Spanish prisoners. I have telegraphed to Aguinaldo on the subject and I hereby declare it to be untrue that they are held for ransom. I can only regard the possible eventual sale of the islands as being nonsensical. My countrymen will resist to the bitter end any attempt to sell the Philippines to a foreign power. We are anxious to be united and allied to our good friends the Americans, but beyond this, we are determined at all hazards to remain independent."

London, Dec. 16.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says a warrant was issued to-day, Thursday, for the arrest of Count Ferdinand and Walsin Estersky. It is asserted that Prince Victor Napoleon stayed at the house of the latter, who is a resident in Avenue Hoche, from Wednesday to Sunday last and that while there he had conferences with Gen. Mercier, minister of war, in the cabinet under which Dreyfus was condemned, and M. Paul Deschamps, the anti-Revolutionist.

London, Dec. 16.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily News says it is believed that Dreyfus is now on his way to France.

The Gordon Memorial.
Montreal, Dec. 16.—The business men of Montreal are determined that Canada shall have her share in the Gordon Memorial college, which Lord Kitchener is about to establish at Khartoum. It is understood a movement has been started by Lord Strathcona who will head the list with a substantial subscription, notwithstanding that he has already subscribed \$5,000 to the London fund. Members of the board of trade met this morning to form the nucleus of the movement, which shall be shared in by all Canada, and boards of trade in the various cities will be asked to share the honor. Lord Strathcona addressed the members of the board briefly on the subject, and it was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the D. O. C.

Great Britain and Italy.
London, Dec. 17.—The Rome correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "In the chamber of deputies today Signor Del Bono asserted the existence of an agreement, equivalent to a formal treaty, between Italy and Great Britain for the maintenance of the status quo in Africa along the Red Sea and the Mediterranean and in the hinterlands of Tripoli and Bahama, as well as in the Sudan. It is noteworthy that his statement was not contradicted by the government."

Eaten by Cannibals.
Antwerp, Dec. 14.—The steamer Leopoldville, which has just arrived here from Africa, with Congo advices, reports that four Belgian traders have been killed and eaten by the natives of Upper Ubanghi. A punitive force, it is also said, has been dispatched to that district.

The Grand Trunk Telegraphers.

Montreal, Dec. 15.—Charles M. Hays, general manager of the G. T. R., will return to the city tomorrow from New York. The committee, which claims to represent the telegraphers in the employ of the company, has made an appointment to see him at three o'clock in the afternoon. Upon the result of that interview will depend the action of the telegraphers. If Mr. Hays consents to discuss matters, with a view of remedying the grievances complained of, there will be no further action on the part of the committee looking toward a strike. If Mr. Hays persists in refusing to recognize them it is likely that all attempts at negotiations will be dropped and preparations made at once for summoning to Montreal a federal board, consisting of the Firemen's, Trainmen's and Trackmen's unions. This board will examine the record of what has been done by the telegraphers' committee now in Montreal, and after conferring with the committee and Chief Powell, will decide whether they are justified in ordering a general strike on the lines of the Grand Trunk in Canada.

A drop of nearly three points in London G. T. R. stock has aroused much interest there in the question of the impending telegraphers' strike. In consequence of the drop the directors have called General Manager Hays asking him if a strike was really pending. Mr. Hays' reply was that he hoped to overcome the danger of a labor struggle in its extreme stage.

Flour Trust Scheme.

Minneapolis, Dec. 16.—The flour trust scheme is dead as far as Minneapolis is concerned. At a meeting of representatives of the three leading milling concerns, the Pillsbury-Washburn Flour Mills company, the Western Consolidated company and the Washburn-Crosby company, it was unanimously agreed that none of the Minneapolis properties should go into the McIntyre consolidated scheme, and that no further attention should be given to the matter. The mills at Milwaukee and Duluth will in all probability follow the lead of the Minneapolis millers.

Terrible Explosion.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Dec. 16.—There was a terrible explosion in the generating and pumping station of the Poughkeepsie Gas Works this evening. A gigantic tongue of flame leaped high into the air. Timbers, sticks and bricks were showered upon the neighboring streets and houses and showers were broken which caused considerable damage. One man, Louis Baurhyte, was killed instantly and James McComb was fatally injured. Patrick Gallagher had his leg broken and was badly burned and bruised, but will recover. The city's gas supply was seriously reduced, but not entirely cut off.

The Irresistible.

London, Dec. 16.—The first-class battleship Irresistible was successfully launched from the dockyards at Chatham yesterday. She was named by Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyll, and weighed 300 tons. Seven tons of Russian tallow and soft soap, besides a large quantity of train oil, were used in lubricating the ways. A great crowd witnessed the launching, including Princess Louise, Prince and Princess of Schleswig-Holstein, Mr. Goschen, first lord of the admiralty, and many other notable persons.

Native Rebellion.

Cairo, Dec. 16.—The native rebellion against the Turks in Yemen, a chief division of Arabia, is becoming far more serious. Thirty thousand Turkish troops have been mobilized in the district. Mahdi Dinn, the insurgent chief, is said to resemble the Mahdi, the Mohammedan warrior prophet, in religious fanaticism, and rules his followers despotically. It was a similar outbreak fifteen years ago, under the Mahdi, that swept the Sudan and ended in the massacre of Gordon at Khartoum. Aden, the chief town of Yemen, is English.

Jack the Ripper.

Brussels, Dec. 15.—Machme Grana, a well-known demi-mondaine, was choked and stabbed to death in the street here last night. The body had been mutilated afterwards. Five women were murdered in a similar fashion in London recently, and the name of "Jack the Ripper" is now doing business in Belgium.

Elevator burned.

Penn. Assn., Dec. 15.—The Western Milling company's elevator, containing about 17,000 bushels of grain, was burned to-night. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Cesar's Ashes.

Rome, Dec. 16.—Ashes, supposed to be those of Julius Caesar, were unearthed yesterday at the base of a column in the Roman Forum. The column marked the spot where Caesar's body was cremated.

Scarlet Fever.

Medicine Hat, Assn., Dec. 16.—Scarlet fever has broken out here, and fears are entertained that it will spread. The school has been suspended for a few days.

DIED OF THE PLAGUE.

Bombay, Dec. 16.—A British soldier had died from bubonic plague at Bangalore, the capital of Mysore. The barracks were abandoned immediately after his death.

FATHER AND SON DROWNED.

Brantford, Dec. 16.—An old man named "Lassie" and his son of 84, William, are supposed to have been caught and drowned in a recent squall.

Important If True.

London, Dec. 15.—The Daily Mail says this morning: "We understand that the British occupation of Crete is to become permanent."

MR. GARROW SWORN IN.

Toronto, Dec. 16.—Hon. J. T. Garrow was to-day sworn in a member of the Ontario government without portfolio.

ANGLO-FRENCH CONVENTION.

Paris, Dec. 16.—An official note issued by the foreign office states that the ratification of the Niger convention between Great Britain and France has been postponed for six months from December 8.

RESIGNS LEADERSHIP.

SIR WILLIAM VERNON HARCOURT,
LIBERAL LEADER, RETIRES.

Internal Dissensions in the Party the
Cause—Sir William's Brilliant
Political Career.

London, Dec. 14.—The Rt. Hon. Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt, member of parliament for West Monmouthshire, and since the resignation of the late Mr. Gladstone, the official leader of the Liberal party in the house of commons, has addressed a letter to Mr. John Morley, Liberal member of Montrose Rugh, announcing his resignation of the leadership. He says: "The Liberal party, rent by sectional disputes and personal interests, is one which no man can consent to lead, either with credit to himself or to the advantage of the country." Mr. Morley in his reply expresses sympathy with Sir William Vernon Harcourt and says he is not surprised at the latter's decision.

Sir William Vernon Harcourt, whose wife, his second, is a daughter of the late John Lothrop Motley, the historian, and at one time United States minister in London, has for twenty-five years held a commanding position in the Liberal party. Mr. Gladstone long regarded him as his ablest lieutenant in the house of commons, and the second son of the Rev. Wm. Harcourt and a grandson of a former Archbishop of York. In 1851 he left Cambridge university with high honors and three years later was called to the bar at the Inner Temple. In 1858 he unsuccessfully contested the Kirkcaldy Burghs and ten years after was returned to the house of commons for the city of Oxford in the Liberal interests. He was elected professor of international law in Cambridge university in 1869, and in 1873 was appointed solicitor-general, on which occasion he was knighted. This office he held until the resignation of Mr. Gladstone's administration in February, 1874. When Mr. Gladstone returned to power in 1880, Sir William was nominated secretary of state for the home department. He went out of office with his party in June, 1885; but on the return of the Liberals to power in the following January he was made chancellor of the exchequer. He went out of office again on the downfall of the Gladstone government in July, 1886, but returned to it as chancellor of the exchequer in 1892, when Mr. Gladstone reassumed power, and held this portfolio throughout the life of the Gladstone-Rosebery government, which fell in June, 1895. In the general elections of 1895 Mr. Harcourt was returned for West Monmouthshire.

The retiring Liberal leader has always been recognized as one of the cleverest parliamentary debaters. He studied the art of phrase making in the schools of Disraeli, whom he greatly admired. About eighteen months ago a serious affection of the eyes threatened his withdrawal from political life, but from this he has virtually recovered. It has been an open secret for some time that his tenure of the leadership was becoming increasingly distasteful to him, both on personal and partisan grounds.

Federation of Labor.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 14.—At today's session of the convention of the American Federation of Labor James O'Connell of Chicago, grand master of the Machinists' union, offered a resolution giving the machinists jurisdiction over all men employed mechanically in the care of Linotype machines. There had been a controversy between printers and machinists as to which union should control this particular labor. The resolution was referred to a committee. A hot fight is expected when it shall be reported back from the committee. James Duncan, a representative of the International Granite Cutters' union, made a report of his attendance as a delegate to the British Trades Congress of Great Britain last August. Mr. Duncan declared that the English trades unions had made a splendid progress in procuring legislation looking to reforms in different lines.

An Infamous Conspiracy.

London, Dec. 14.—The Daily News publishes a startling story of an alleged plot of the French League of Patriots, numbering 300,000, under the notorious anti-revisionist, M. Paul Deroche, to prevent Dreyfus reaching Paris. According to the story the league approached various military officers of high rank and this led to a discovery of the plot. M. De Freycinet, the French minister of war has decided, says the informant of the Daily News, upon vigorous measures to suppress any such attempt, and if necessary, a state of siege will be proclaimed in Paris, in which event General Zurlinden, the military governor, will not have the command.

A Russian Scheme.

London, Dec. 14.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily News says: "By influence China to delay the payment of the war indemnity to Japan the Russian government will be enabled to acquire several Japanese warships now building abroad, which Japan will be unable to pay for at the stipulated time."

Her Fate Sealed.

Saint Scholastique, Dec. 15.—Cordelia Vian was this evening, for the second time, found guilty of the murder of her husband, and was sentenced by Judge Tansherman to be hanged on March 10, 1899.

New Steamer Launched.

Montreal, Dec. 14.—The Elder Launching company today received the following cable: "The first twin screw passenger steamer, the Montclair, was launched yesterday and will be ready at the opening of the season." Very little is known regarding the steamer more than that she is one of a fleet of ships being built at Walswood-on-Tyne for the Montreal passenger trade. Elder, Dempster & Co. have been desirous of securing a portion of this trade for some time and have already ordered upon it in a small way. Another important announcement was made today in which the same company figures. The Elder, Dempster company, which have made such enormous advances since they first began to come here, a few years ago, have bought the entire fleet of the Beaver line and will now be able to occupy the berth in the harbor to which they are entitled by reason of their great business.

Montreal will have a good service with steamy next Monday. For some time the Hamburg-American line have felt that they should put on several new vessels will be in shape by the beginning of the season and they will give a ten days service instead of two weeks.

Havana Street Railway.

Havana, Dec. 16.—At a general meeting of the stockholders of the Ferro Carril Urbano yesterday, the sale of the entire stock, amounting to \$1,600,000, was authorized at 92. Half of the amount was taken by Mr. George W. Young, president of the United States Mortgage and Trust Co., Senator Smith, of New Jersey; Percival Farquhar, F. S. Pierson, Col. C. M. B. Harvey and Hanson Brothers of Montreal. The other was taken by Buff & Sons, and T. W. Todd, bankers, of London. Captain General Castellanos has issued an order stopping work on the railway concessions, without prejudice to the rights of any of the parties interested, until the United States take control here. This prevents the American Indies company from beginning the construction under a disputed concession.

The Hawaiian Tariff.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Assistant Secretary Howell, of the treasury, was heard by the house ways and means committee today on the need of extending the tariff laws to Hawaii as soon as possible. The committee agreed to the immediate extensions proposed, and Hawaii will be established as one customs district, with three sub-port of entry, viz., Hilo, Maunaloa and Kahului. The collector of customs will have headquarters at Honolulu, and will receive a salary of \$4000.

Hotel Man Fined.

Cypress River, Man., Dec. 14.—John Poynt, proprietor of the Clarendon hotel here, appeared to-day before Magistrate Verner and Connor, charged with selling liquor without license. He was fined \$50 and costs. Mr. Mitchell, of Glenboro, for the prosecution; Mr. Rastan, of Cypress River, for the defendant.

THE MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 19.—Wheat receipts, 24,050 bushels; exports, 173,658 bushels.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Futures closed as follows:

Wheat—Dec. 65 5-8; May 66 7-8; July 64 7-8.

Corn—Dec. 34 1-4; July 35 1-4; May 34 7-8.

Oats—Dec. 26; May 26 5-8.

Rice—Jan. \$4.65; May \$4.82.

Lard—Jan. \$5.12; May \$5.35.

Pork—Dec. \$8.10; Jan. \$9.40; May \$9.67.

WINNIPEG MARKETS.

Wheat—No. 1 hard, Fort William, 64 1/2c.

Flour—Patent, \$1.95; strong bakers, \$1.75; second bakers, \$1.35; XXXX, per sack of 49 lbs., \$1.05.

Wheat—Milling, 52c; Chicken feed, 25c to 26c per bushel of 60 lb.

Milled—Bran, \$10, and shorts \$12 per ton in bulk; large lots, 50c per ton less.

Ground Feed—Oat chop, \$18 to \$19 per ton; mixed barley and oats, \$16 to \$17; and wheat mixtures, \$12 to \$14.

Oil cake, \$23 per ton.

Oatmeal—Car lots of rolled about \$1.60 for 80 lb. sacks.

Oats—24c per bushel.

Barley—Feed, 28 to 30c per bushel of 49 lbs.; malting, 20c to 35c as to quality.

Flax seed—65c per bushel.

Butter—Creamery, to 22 1/2c; dairy, 13 1/2 to 14 1/2c.

Cheese—Large, 9 1/2c; small, 10c.

Eggs—Fresh, 20c; lined, 16 to 17c.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 5c; mutton, 6 1/2 to 7c; lamb, 7 1/2 to 8c; hogs, 5 1/2 to 6 1/2c; veal, 5 1/2 to 7c.

Poultry—Spring chickens 8 to 9c per lb, turkeys 10 to 12 1/2c, ducks and geese 8 to 10c.

Game—Rabbits, 8 1/2c each, or three for 25c; pigeons, 20c per pair.

Vegetables—Potatoes, 40c per bushel; turnips, 15 to 20c per bushel; parsnips, 1 1/2c per lb; carrots, 40c; beets, 40c per bushel; celery, 40c per dozen; cabbage, 1 to 1 1/2c per pound; onions, \$1.00 per bush; Spanish onions, \$2 per crate.

Hides—No. 1, 6 1/2c; No. 2, 5 1/2c; Kip, 8 to 9 1/2c; calf, 8c; sheepskins and lambskins, 40 to 55c; horse hides, 75c to \$1.50 each; colts, 25c to 50c each.

Wool—Nominal, at 8 to 8 1/2c.

Tallow—No. 1, 3 1/2c; No. 2, 2 1/2c to 3c.

Seneca Root—21c per pound.

Hay—Baled, \$7 to \$8.50 on track here.

Cattle—Butchers' cattle are 2 1/2 to 3c. Export cattle quoted at 3 1/2c; stockers, 2 1/2 to 3c.

Sheep—3 1/2c for good to prime animals; lambs, 3 1/2 to 4c.

Cows—Readily bring from \$35 to \$40.

Hogs—Good bacon hogs at 4 1/2c off carc here.

JOHN ARTHUR'S WARD, OR THE DETECTIVE'S DAUGHTER

By the author of "A Woman's Crime," "The Missing Diamond," etc.

"But hold on!" cried Verage, as if seized by a new thought. "Say, now, what is all this questioning about?"

"Some of her sharp practice has come to my knowledge, and she has made a little trouble for one of my friends. I want to know all that I can about her, for it may be necessary to put a stop to her career."

With a renewed expression of his face for the information given, Clarence bowed himself out of the old man's presence, with a sense of relief at inhaling the fresh, pure air of the outer world.

Then he turned his steps toward, assured that it had been a good day's work well done.

CHAPTER XXVII

CLARENCE TELLS HIS STORY.

There was more to tell than to learn, when Clarence called, a day or two later, at the villa.

The expert who had been dogging the steps of Lucian Davlin, had made his report. It is true. But that report was a very unsatisfactory one.

A man, whom Clarence identified with the Professor, was an almost constant visitor at the rooms of the Man of Luck, but they, the Professor and Davlin, were never seen on the street together, nor, indeed, anywhere else.

In short, Lucian Davlin had been closely shadowed, but with no success to speak of. He came and went as just such a man usually does.

And no person that might be made to answer for a doctor, had been visited by him, nor had visited him unless, and this began to appear possible, the Professor himself was the man.

After a long and serious discussion of the pros and cons of the case, Olive and Clarence decided they would instruct the detective to transfer his attentions to the Professor, only keeping a general surveillance over Davlin. They began to fear that they were watching the wrong man.

Those were pleasant days for Doctor Vaughan; the days when he rode down to the pretty villa to consult with Olive and to look at the Professor.

And those were pleasant days to Clarence as well. Once, and that not long before, she had taken but little interest in Clarence Vaughan. She had thought of him very much as had Madeline that first night of their meeting, when she found him sitting near her in a railway carriage, and regarded him as just a "somebody" who was with a good face.

Now, Madeline thought him not only the noblest but the handsomest of men. And Clarence was beginning to agree with her. But on one thing she was determined. Doctor Vaughan must learn to look upon her only as a friend, and he must learn to love Madeline. So Clarence and Madeline vied with each other in chanting the praises of Madeline Payne, and learned to know each other as the best of friends.

One day when he called, Clarence chanced to be alone. Somehow she found it hard to be quite at her ease when there was no Olive at hand, behind whom to sever her personality from the eyes that might overlook that sister's barrier, but could not overlook it. If she said yes, or if she could have compelled her lips to say more! But her usual active tongue seemed to lack for words and she found herself talking in a restless and somewhat incoherent manner upon all sorts of topics, which she dragged out with the idea of keeping in check the nervousness which she felt in her eyes beamed so plainly.

When she was almost at her wit's end, and tempted to the ingenuously in search of Olive, that lady entered and Clarence could not resist the temptation to tell her of his latest success.

Once having escaped, she did not return, nor did Olive see her again until she came down to dinner, and Doctor Vaughan had gone.

While lingering over that meal, Olive said, after she had talked of Madeline through three courses, "I think, by the way, that Doctor Vaughan expected to see you again before he went."

"If I were writing of impossible here, I might say that," said Clarence, "but I don't think so. I don't think he expected to see you again before he went."

"Well, perhaps I was mistaken. But why have you kept your room all this afternoon?"

"I have been packing. Please pass the marmalade."

"Packing?" mechanically reaching out the required dainty.

"Yes, packing. You don't think I came to spend the winter, do you?"

"But this is so sudden."

"Now, just listen, you unreasonable being!" assuming an air of grave admonition. "Don't you know that I have overstayed my time by almost a month?"

"Yes, but—"

"Well, don't you know that if I tell you before and that I am going, you always contrive to excuse and beg, please, to keep me at least three weeks longer?"

"I should like to know, if you don't mind."

"And how should I know?" carelessly.

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my word, I never thought of it."

And she told the truth. She had thought only of how she could avoid another meeting.

Olive looked puzzled. "And I supposed that you liked Doctor Vaughan," she said, after a moment's pause.

"Why, and so I do; I was very careless. Olive, dear, pray make my adieu to him, and all the necessary excuses. I do like the doctor, and don't want him to think me rude."

And Olive accepted the commission, and was decided by it. For she, absorbed in her own fears and hopes, was not aware of the drama of love and cross purposes that was being enacted under the very eyes. When Clarence called, on the next day but one, he found, to his surprise and sorrow, that the bright face of the girl he loved so well was to smile upon him no more, at least for a time.

Making his call an unusually brief one, he rode back to the city in a very grave and thoughtful mood. Or, rather, the gravity and thoughtfulness usual in him was tinged with sadness.

On the same day, almost at the same hour, Claire Keith stood in her mother's drawing-room, answering the thousand and one questions that are invariably poured into the ears of a returned traveler.

By and by, drawing back the satin curtain, that shaded the windows of the drawing-room, Claire gazed upon the familiar street which seemed smiling for a welcome in the autumn sunshine. Finally, she uttered an exclamation of surprise, and turned to Mrs. Keith.

"Merci! Mamma! what has happened to the people across the way? Why, I can't catch even one glimpse of red and yellow daisy, not one flutter of gold fringe: have the parvenus been taking lessons in good taste? Positively, every flower in the garden is there isn't a daisy left to be seen."

Mrs. Keith laughed softly. "I don't know what has happened to the parvenus, my dear, but whether good or bad it has taken them away, liveries and all. The house has a new tenant, who is certainly amusing, perhaps, but is certainly more mysterious. So, after all, the exchange may not have been a gain to the neighborhood."

Claire peeped out again. "A mysterious tenant, you say, mamma. This must be an improvement. What is the mystery like?"

Mrs. Keith smiled indulgently on her daughter. "There is not much to tell, my love. I don't know whether the lady who has taken the house is young or old, handsome or ugly, married or single. She lives the life of a recluse; has never been seen, at least by any of us, to walk out. But she drives sometimes in a close carriage, and always with a thick veil hiding her face. She is said, however, to be always in black, although the fact is not that usually worn as mourning. She moves from the door to her carriage with a languid gait, as if she might be an invalid. No one goes there, and I understand she is not at home to callers, although I have not met her, nor has she ever appeared myself. There, my dear, I think that is about all."

"She seems to be a woman of wealth?"

"Evidently; her horses are very fine animals, and her carriage a costly one. Her servants wear a neat, plain livery, and apparently her house is elegantly furnished."

"And mamma," said Robbie, who had been standing quietly at her side, "you forget the flowers."

"True, Robbie. Every day, Claire, the florist leaves a basket of white flowers at her door."

"I like that," asserted Claire. "She must have refinement."

"She certainly has that air."

"Well," said Claire, laughing lightly, "shall I make a study of the woman across the way?"

With that the subject dropped for the time. But as the days went on, and she settled herself once more into the home routine, Claire found that not the least among the things she chose to consider interesting was the mysterious neighbor across the way.

And now, having put considerable distance between herself and Edward Percy, she wrote him a few cool lines of dismissal.

And here again the individuality of the girl was very evident. Many a woman would have written a scathing letter, telling the man how thoroughly unmasked he stood in her sight, letting him know that she was acquainted with all his past and his present, and bidding him to leave the scene of the infatuation of the last victim of his empty pockets, the ancient Miss Arthur.

What Claire did was like Claire; and, perhaps, after all, she best comprehended the nature she dealt with. Certainly no tirade of accusing reproach could have so wounded the self-love of the selfish, cold, senseless man as did her cool farewell missive.

Edward Percy was in a very complaining mood when Claire's letter reached him. True, he had received no reply to his two last effusions; but knowing that Claire must be so busy studying and writing, he had not already gone, he assured himself that it was owing to this that he had received no letter as yet. He never doubted her attachment to himself. That was not in his nature.

Opening a rather heavy packet, as he sat in his cozy sitting-room, out dropped two letters full of poetry and fine sentiment that his own flexible hand had penned and addressed to Miss Claire Keith. His letters, and returned with the seals unbroken. He could scarcely believe the evidence of his senses. His hands, his treacherous, light-blue eyes darkened and widened with astonishment and anger.

He never moved in a hurry, never spoke in a hurry, never thought in a hurry. And slowly it dawned upon his mind to investigate further and find some clue that would make this unheard-of thing appear less incomprehensible. Accordingly he took up the envelope that had contained his rejected letters, and drew from them a brief note:—

"Baltimore, Saturday, 6th.

"It will scarcely surprise Mr. Percy to learn that Miss Keith desires you to end an acquaintance that has been, doubtless, amusing 'intellectually' and 'socially' to both."

"Of course, a gentleman so worldly-wise as himself can never have been misled by the silly flatter of attachment that has seemed necessary in order to make such an acquaintance as ours at all interesting. A flirtation based upon a 'sympathy of intellect,' must of necessity end sooner or later, and has, no doubt, been as harmless to him as to Claire Keith."

Yes, without doubt, Claire knew how to hurt this man most. He was not permitted to know that she felt the same humiliation, which a proud nature must

suffer when it discovers that it has trusted an unworthy object. Instead, he was to feel himself the injured one; the one humiliated. He, the deceiver, must own himself deceived. When he believed himself loved, he was laughed at. His own words were flung in his teeth in an insolent mockery.

"A sympathy of intellect!" yes, he had used these words so often. He had obeyed the beckoning of a Claire, and now she held out to him his swine's reward of husks.

Edward Percy had been dissatisfied with others, with circumstances, and surroundings, many a time and oft; but to-day, for the very first time, he felt dissatisfied with himself.

And Claire had revenged her wrongs twofold.

(To Be Continued.)

HE WANTED CIDER.

Eat the Hottest Farmer Could Not Make a Sale.

A correspondent with a mild grievance writes as follows:

"About a fortnight ago I chanced to read in The Plain Dealer the 13 remedies for the cure of certain diseases. For rheumatism, for instance, I was told to 'Drink wine, or rather, hard cider three times a day.' Now, as all my neighbors will testify, rheumatism is a good steady tenant that finds lodging in several parts of my body and is there to stay. When I read in The Plain Dealer that cider is good to drive off the unwelcome guest, I assure you I eagerly watched for a farmer of whom I intended to buy at least a barrelful. At last a seedy looking individual came to my door. 'Say, mister, want to buy any cider?' Did I want to buy any? Why, that's what I had been watching for at least a week. Of course I didn't let the farmer know how anxious I was to get his liquid. On the contrary, I thought I'd put up a neat little trick to test the beverage. 'Is it pure cider?' I asked. 'Isn't there any water in it?' asked I. 'Water?' he asked. 'You insult me. 'Take this cider to the city chemist and have it tested. I'll swear there is no adulteration of it. Have a couple gallons of it, sir?' 'Look here, my man,' said I, 'I would buy a kegful of you if you had some watered. I am afflicted with rheumatism and am not allowed to drink it strong. If you will be kind enough to put some water in it and bring it to me, as I said, I'll take a kegful.' My farmer looked around suspiciously, and, putting his hand on one side of his mouth, he softly remarked: 'Say, boss, you don't think that we farmers could afford to sell pure cider for 10 cents a gallon, do you? That stuff costs nearly 40 per cent cider. The rest is rainwater. To tell you the truth, we drink up the genuine stuff at home. How many gallons did you want?' 'You rascal,' I roared, 'Now I've caught you! I just wanted—' I could not finish my sentence, for the honest farmer jumped on his wagon and in less than no time was galloping down the street.

"I still have my rheumatism,"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Original If Not Accurate.

This is a genuine extract from a schoolboy's recent "Essay on Nelson":

"Oh! Harding, kiss me again," were the beautiful words of a heroic mortal who won a grate battle with one eye and a wooden leg. Before the bloody contest this motto was uttered by him: "The queen expects every man to do his duty." Nelson was a brave man; his morals were not respectable. Once a lady whose name was Mrs. Hamington heaved him and he said, "Oh heavens heavens how do I love." When he died the queen met him in a boat and he went to St. Paul's and was buried. This is a marvellous lesson to me and all schoolboys. Do your duty to your pastors and masters and then even with a single leg you can say, "with this simple thing I will do my duty." As Nelson himself said "Even though you are only man you can do your duty."—Scottish Leader.

A Matter of Profound Indifference.

The spectacled fisherman looked at his heavy string, and then he looked at the daisy who sat on the fence idly swinging his heels.

"Sam," he called, "are you fond of perch?"

"Don't believe I am, sah," said the colored brother. "When I grab a chicken, I don't pay no 'tention 'tall to de perch, sah."

Favorable Symptoms.

"How's your town coming along, doctor?" was asked of the young physician who hails from a rural village.

"Doing as well as could be expected," replied the doctor, who is assiduously cultivating a professional air. "It is beginning to show symptoms of a couple of new business blocks and a bigger schoolhouse."—Detroit Free Press.

An Objection.

"Do you read Shakespeare?" asked the old-fashioned citizen.

"Well," answered Mr. Meekton, "we have an expurgated edition that Henrietta brought home last Christmas."

"There are some passages in the great poet's work not exactly suited to the young."

"Oh, it wasn't the young she worried about; she insisted on having the set rebound so as to leave out 'The Taming of the Shrew.'"—Washington Star.

He Knew Him.

Again it was the terrible small brother doing the entertaining until his sister could put in an appearance.

"I guess you don't know me," said the caller, with a commendable desire to be pleasant.

"Oh, yes, I do. When I saw you through the window, I heard sister say, 'There comes that over-latin Simkins again!'"—Detroit Free Press.

A Builder of the Language.

Mrs. Upjohn—Our minister is a highly learned man. I believe he knows every word in the dictionary.

Mrs. Downleigh—That's nothing. Our preacher uses lots of words that ain't in the dictionary at all.—Chicago Tribune.

WHICH ROAD?

If you could go back to the forks of the road—

Back the long miles you have carried the load.

Back to the place where you had to decide.

By this way or that through your life to abide.

Back to the sorrow and back of the care.

Back to the place where the future was fair—

If you were there now, a decision to make.

Oh, pilgrim of sorrow, which road would you take?

Then, after you'd trodden the other long track.

Suppose that again to the forks you went.

After you found that its promises fair.

Were but a delusion that led to a snare.

That the road you first traveled with.

Though dreary and rough, was most graciously blessed.

With balm for each bruise and a charm for each ache.

Oh, pilgrim of sorrow, which road would you take?

—Hartford Religious Herald.

PERSIAN RULER'S JEWELS.

Fabulous Worth of the Gems in the Peacock Throne Room.

Who has not heard of the Persian jewels—their glory, their number, their price—less worth? When the doors were unlocked and I was taken into the peacock throne room, I found myself surrounded by a mass of wealth unequalled in the world. Nowhere are such treasures, but nowhere also is there such an accumulation of rubbish. I will, however, dismiss the rubbish and refer only to the treasures. Down each side of the room were chairs entirely covered with sheeted gold, and at intervals were tables of gold, called, I should think, with the commonest of black headed nails.

At the far end of the room was the wonder of the world, the peacock throne. Whether it is one of the seven thrones of the Great Mogul and was brought from Delhi I don't know, but it is certainly the most costly ornament that the eye of man can look upon. I inspected it most carefully. It is entirely of silver, a great camp bed structure, but modeled in lovely designs. It is incrustated from end to end and from top to bottom with precious stones. At the back is a star of brilliants that makes you blink. The rug on which the shah sits is edged with precious stones, and the pillow on which he reclines is covered with pearls. I could keep on writing about the dazzling beauties of the throne for the king of kings, but I never could get beyond declaring it to be a superb jewel. Some people have valued it at \$25,000,000. Its real value is between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000.

But, though the peacock throne is the magnificence of the Persian crown, few jewels like it are to be seen elsewhere. The riches of the other treasures. Who can attempt, however, to recount the number of jeweled arms, the royal arms, the flashing aglets, the trays piled up with cut and uncut stones and the bowls filled with pearls that you can run through your fingers like a handful of rice. Every one has heard of the Daria-i-Nur, or sea of light, sister diamond to the Kohinoor, or mountain of light. Every one has also heard of the Globe of the World, made by the late shah, of 75 pounds of pure gold and 51,335 gems—the sea of emeralds, the sea of rubies, the sea of sapphires, the sea of diamonds, the sea of pearls, the sea of turquoise, the sea of amethyst, the sea of coral, the sea of lapis lazuli, the sea of garnet, the sea of opal, the sea of crystal, the sea of ivory, the sea of bone, the sea of wood, the sea of stone, the sea of metal, the sea of earth, the sea of air, the sea of fire, the sea of water, the sea of life, the sea of death, the sea of glory, the sea of shame, the sea of honor, the sea of dishonor, the sea of love, the sea of hate, the sea of mercy, the sea of wrath, the sea of peace, the sea of war, the sea of wisdom, the sea of folly, the sea of virtue, the sea of vice, the sea of good, the sea of evil, the sea of heaven, the sea of hell, the sea of paradise, the sea of purgatory, the sea of judgment, the sea of redemption, the sea of salvation, the sea of 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A Big Sacrifice Sale of Christmas Presentation Goods!

ONE-HALF PRICE!

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We have placed on our Bargain Table at half price all the Christmas Presentation Goods we do not wish to carry over.

It's Impossible to Tell You What This Means.

A WORD TO THE WISE IS SUFFICIENT.

Turnbull and
McCulloch.

The Moose Jaw Times.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1898.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Wednesday, Dec. 21st, was the shortest day of the year.

Dolls for the girls and drums for the boys at The Bazaar.—Adv.

Mr. J. A. Munro, of the Union School staff, visited the Capital last Saturday.

Mr. T. W. Robinson left yesterday week for Toronto to spend Christmas at home.

Mr. H. McDougall left this morning on an extended trip to Calgary and coast cities.

Miss Middlemiss, of the Union School staff, will spend Christmas at her home in Wolsley.

Our Xmas goods are going fast. A call on Saturday will be appreciated at The Bazaar.—Adv.

Mrs. W. C. Goudie and her sister, Miss Clarke, left for Oak Lake on Wednesday to spend Xmas with friends.

Rev. J. F. Fraser, of Regina, will preach in the Baptist church, morning and evening, on Sunday next.

There will be preaching in the Central Hall on Sabbath at 2 p.m., by Rev. W. H. Wilson, Free Methodist, from Ontario. All are invited to attend.

The Christmas Annual of the Indian Head Vidette has been received at this office. In regard to both material and execution it is an issue to be proud of.

Mr. McCrossan, evangelist and author spent Tuesday in town en route from Prince Albert to his home in Illinois. While in town he was the guest of Mrs. J. T. Simpson.

Under the new C. P. R. time table the mail service at Moose Jaw will close as follows: Mail for the west at 7 a.m.; for the east and south at 17:15. The public will do well to remember this.

A couple of typographical errors inadvertently crept into our report of the municipal elections last week. W. C. Sanders secured 67 votes and W. N. Mitchell 33, instead of 66 and 35 respectively.

Mr. Jno. Lindsay, of the Massey-Harris Co., was in town last Saturday. We have been informed that Mr. Lindsay has fallen heir to a fortune of \$25,000 by the death of a cousin and namesake in Australia.

Brakeman W. A. Bowron returned on Tuesday morning from Hamilton, Ont., to which place he accompanied the remains of the late "Doc" Johnson. The funeral was largely attended by many friends of the deceased.

The Wesley Church Sunday School Xmas tree entertainment will be held next Wednesday in Wesley church. Supper will be served from 6 to 8 p.m., after which an excellent programme of musical and literary selections will be rendered under the supervision of Mrs. J. Sheppard. Admission 25c. All are cordially invited.

Mr. Amos Hicks, of the C. P. R. mail service, will move to Winnipeg next month, where he will reside in future. This is a result of a change in the mail service. In future the east run will be from Winnipeg to Moose Jaw and return, instead of from Moose Jaw to Broadview. In another column Mr. Hicks advertises his house and lot for sale.

In renewing his subscription to THE TIMES, Mr. C. D. J. Christie, of Nelson, B.C., says: "I am pleased to see the improvement you have been making in THE TIMES and to notice the marked change for the better in everything in and around Moose Jaw that has taken place in the last two years as shown in the columns of your paper, both advertising and general news. I am always pleased to receive the paper and notice what you are doing in the old town."

The annual congregational meeting of the Moose Jaw Presbyterian Church took place last Tuesday evening in the church. Reports were read from the various branches of the congregation, the board of management and session. The election of the 1899 board of management resulted in the following being chosen:—Hugh Ferguson, A. M. Fenwick, W. C. Goudie, M. J. MacLeod and Thos. Miller. Mr. C. A. Gass and Ben. Fletcher were appointed auditors for 1899. Among other matters brought before the meeting was the resignation of the pastor, Rev. J. C. Cameron. After considerable discussion the resignation was accepted with much regret.

A Very Merry Christmas.

HEARTY Greetings extended to all our friends and customers. We wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

M. J. MacLEOD.

A Prosperous New Year.

Miss Shannon, of Regina, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. P. F. Size.

Make the little folks happy by buying them a pretty present at The Bazaar.—Adv.

Ronald Stuart will give a Scotch treat in Central Hall to-night. Admission 35 and 50 cents.

The wife and family of Mr. D. Rollo, of the C.P.R., left last Sunday evening for Montreal, where they will reside in future. Mr. Rollo will follow in a few days.

We have been informed that owing to the increase of work in the mail service on this division, a change is impending, which will result in the removal of all mail clerks from Moose Jaw. Owing to the change made in the east run, the clerks will in future reside in Winnipeg. A similar change is proposed in the west run, the clerks headquarters being in Calgary.

Over fifty excursion tickets have already been sold at this place this year. This is a record breaker for Moose Jaw. Among those leaving this week are: H. Thomson, his mother, and Mrs. Thomson. Mrs. Geo. Tuxford, Robt. McCartney, Jas. Armstrong, Thos. Arnold, Mrs. J. M. Simington, Thos. Gallagher, A. McKewen, Mrs. Wm. Riddell, Mahlon Johnson and R. Porter. In addition to these there are quite a number who have signified their intention to leave before the 31st. The district will therefore be well represented in the east this winter.

Mr. H. C. Gilmour writes from Los Angeles, Cal., under date of Dec. 13th, that they arrived in that city on the 12th inst., after a very enjoyable trip across the Rockies. The district is suffering very much from drought, everything being dried up. The climate is not as warm as they expected, but is nevertheless very pleasant. He called upon Mr. Jno. E. Ross, a pioneer Moose Jawite and father of Mr. Jas. H. Ross, Territorial Commissioner of Public Works, who gave him a very hearty welcome. Mr. Gilmour says the old gentleman is quite hearty and is as young looking as when he left Moose Jaw.

ALLISON.—At Moose Jaw, on Wednesday, Dec. 14, 1898, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Allison, a daughter.

Mr. Geo. Cleverley, late C. P. R. mail clerk, has purchased an hotel in Fleming.

John Smith returned from Winnipeg yesterday and will resume farming next spring.

Christmas services and sermons on Sunday in the Methodist Church. All invited.

W. C. Lusk, photographer, will open his Moose Jaw studio on Tuesday, Dec. 27th, remaining for 10 days.

Wm. Riddell, of the Valley, and E. H. Moorhouse, of the Moose Jaw Creamery, visited Regina this week.

Moose Jaw merchants are not behind with their displays of Christmas goods. Their windows are the admiration of the little ones, while their counters and shelves are replete with seasonable goods.

The scholars of the Moose Jaw Schools got up a petition for an extra holiday last Thursday and presented it to the school board. The prayer of the petitioners was granted and school closed for the Christmas holidays yesterday.

The annual meeting of the Regina Conservative Association was held on Saturday, 10th inst. The following officers were elected: Pres. Dr. J. M. Creamer; 1st Vice, W. C. Cullum; 2nd Vice, S. A. Clark; 3rd Vice, Jas. Miller; Sec. Treas. P. McAra, Jr. (re-elected); Executive Committee, W. C. Hamilton, Q. C., J. B. Hawkes, M. L. A., J. A. Neily, C. Wiloughby, Dr. Martin, Jno. Dobbin. A resolution was adopted re-affirming confidence in N. F. Davis, M.P.

The Principal of the school acknowledges with thanks the following donations of magazines for the picture and clipping library: Mr. W. A. H. "Court, Dundurn," "Cosmopolitan" (three years); "Massey" and other magazines; Mr. O. Field, "Army and Navy"; Emily Tapley, "Canadian Magazine" (one year) and "Illustrated London News"; Gordon Bole, "Birds" (one year); Mrs. W. Thirwall, "Strand" and "Canadian Magazine"; T. R. Rums, "Scientific American" and colored picture; Mr. Seymour Green, two colored engravings from La Figaro; Mrs. J. B. Rollo, specimen asbestos; Mrs. Dan. McLean, fossils.

John McLean, of Maple Creek, is spending Xmas week with his parents.

Last Saturday a halfbreed and Indian were arrested at Swift Current and taken back to Indian Head, where they were wanted to answer to a charge under the liquor law. The halfbreed was sent to Regina jail for three months for giving liquor to the Indian, and the Indian was given a month for having liquor in his possession.

Harold Johnson, a prominent young rancher of the Valley, arrived from Winnipeg yesterday morning, where he had been in the hospital suffering from a severe attack of rheumatic fever. The fever affected his bones and an operation had to be performed upon his left arm and leg. His leg got all right, but his arm got worse since his arrival yesterday morning.

What a Fleet!—Sour Stomach, Distress after Eating, Weight in the Stomach, Wind on the Stomach, Loss of Appetite, Dizziness, Nausea, Sick Headache—formidable foes to good health—but Dr. Van Stan's Pineapple Tablets are the invincible battleships that can put to rout and destroy the last vestige of them, and make peace and happiness reign where all was misery and suffering. 35 cents. Sold by Turnbull & McCulloch.

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The man who "bolts" his lunches will find Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets the best friend he ever met. There is no case of biliousness, constipation, indigestion, "heart-burn," or any of the rest of the night-mare breeding brood, that these little "Pellets" will not cure. They cure permanently. Send 31 cents in one-cent stamps to World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., and receive Dr. Pierce's 1008 page "Common Sense Medical Advisor," profusely illustrated.

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Thousands of Dollars are wasted every year in useless, silly little presents! . . .

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Our Stock of Christmas Groceries is complete in all lines.

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R. BOGUE.

A number of Moose Jawites attended the "Windsor Ball," at Regina last Tuesday.

South Edmonton citizens have decided upon incorporation under name of "Strathcona."

Last Sunday the managers of the Presbyterian church asked for a special collection of \$150.00 to enable them to meet the obligations of the congregation for the current year. The congregation responded to the extent of \$105.00. As this is not sufficient we understand another appeal will be made next Sunday for the balance, which amounts to \$45.00.

The Bachelors' and Benedicts' Ball.

The Bachelors' and Benedicts' Ball held in Central Hall last Friday evening was the most successful event of this nature held this season. In every particular the arrangements for the ball was first-class. The Moose Jaw orchestra provided the music. The attendance was fairly good. But the feature of the evening was the uniformity of exceedingly pretty dresses worn on the occasion. All the costumes were more than usually pretty, and our reporter was at a loss to decide who was "the belle of the ball."

Christmas Day Services, 1898.

St. John the Baptist's church, Moose Jaw.—8:30 a.m., plain celebration of the Holy Eucharist; 10:30 a.m., plain Matins; 11 a.m., choral celebration of the Holy Eucharist, with sermon; 3 p.m., Carol Service; 7 p.m., Choral Evensong, with sermon and carols.

St. Columba's church, Buffalo Lake.—New Year's Day, 1899, 11 a.m., Matins, sermon and celebration of the Holy Eucharist. J. S. CHIVERS.

MOOSE JAW MARKETS.

Wheat, No. 1	\$ 46
" No. 2	43
Oats	35
Hay	7.00
Potatoes	85
Apples (green) per lb.	4.00
Onions, per lb.	4
Cheese, "	10 to 15
Bacon, "	11 to 17
Lard, "	12 1/2
Butter, "	20 to 25
Eggs, per doz	25
Strictly Fresh	36

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MACLEOD'S NEW STORE.

A Large and Commodious Building Fitted With Up-to-Date Gents' Furnishings.

One of the many handsome buildings erected in Moose Jaw this year is the large and commodious store of Mr. M. J. MacLeod, "the up-to-date clothier and furnisher," the ground floor of which was completed last week. While on a reportorial round the other day a TIMES reporter dropped in and found the genial "Mac" hard at work "fixing up"; but nevertheless he left off work and showed us through. The new store is situated on the west side of Main street and has a frontage of 27 feet and extends back 65 feet. The building, which cost about \$5,000.00, is two stories high with full basement and is built with Moose Jaw red brick, the front being finished with Calgary sandstone. The two large plate glass windows are 68 by 118 inches with glass one-quarter inch thick. The basement is used as a furnace and store room, the ground floor is used as the store, and the upstairs is divided into offices and rooms. The inside fixtures of the store were manufactured by E. Simpson & Co., of our town; and, according to a well-known Winnipeg contractor, they are not excelled by any in that city excepting the new McIntyre Block. On the left side a couple of counters run the full length of the store and the shelves and drawers on this side are packed with men's furnishings, underwear, overshirts, negligé shirts, mitts, etc., while a fine display of silk handkerchiefs, scarfs, neckties, boas, fur mitts, caps, etc., adorn a hanging bar, over the counter. The right side of the store is devoted entirely to boots and shoes and footwear in general. Among the manufacturers represented here we noticed the names of J. T. Bell & Co., G. T. Slighter & Sons, The Tetrault Shoe Co., Jas. McCreary & Co., all of Montreal; J. D. King & Co., of Toronto; and also The Canadian Rubber Co., The Canadian Overshoe Co., The Berlin Felt Boot Co., The Qu'Appelle Felt Boot Co., and Daniel Green, of Dolgeville, N.Y.; manufacturer of Alfred Dolge's celebrated felt boots. The centre tables are loaded down with men's, boys' and children's clothing, overcoats, fur coats, robes, etc., while the Singer sewing machine and trunks and valises occupy a conspicuous place. At present Mr. MacLeod employs three clerks, Mr. Alex. Matheson, Mr. M. S. Matheson; a recent addition from Prince Edward Island, and Master Ben. Ostrander. Mr. MacLeod was born at Rose Valley, P. E. I., in 1872, and commenced business in Boston in 1889 as book-keeper for the Whitney Glass Works, of which his brother, R. D., is vice-president. In 1890 he went to Prince Albert, where he remained for three years as senior clerk for his brother, Sam, now M.L.A. for Prince Albert East. In 1893

he came to Moose Jaw and opened up a gents' furnishing store in the McBride block, since which time his business has so increased that he found it expedient to build his present spacious store.

Mr. Goggin Appreciated.

The Nova Scotia Journal of Education, an official semi-annual publication, contains reference to the work of the 1898 meeting of the Dominion Educational Association held at Halifax, August, 1898. The following paragraph is an excerpt:—

"British Columbia was the first to offer and send financial aid to the Halifax convention. Although the Provincial Election interfered with the attendance of the able and public-spirited Minister, Col Baker, Supervisor Eaton of the Victoria schools and others were present. But D. J. Goggin, M. A., Superintendent of Education at Regina for the North-Western Provinces of the Dominion, was conspicuously one of the most useful members present, and although representing the youngest and most distant of our provinces, aided the convention with funds and council more effectively than some of the older and nearer provinces."

Appeal Court.

The Supreme court dealt with the following two cases, among others at Regina last week:—

In re Land Titles Act and Road allowance. This was a reference by the Registrar of the Southern Alberta Registration District to Hon. Mr. Justice Scott and by him referred to court en banc. The question involved was as to the power of the Lieutenant-Governor in council under the North-West Territories Act, as amended, to close up and sell road allowances. Held—that the Lieutenant-Governor in council has power to close up and sell road allowances in the Territories. The Deputy Attorney General in person. The Inspector of Land Titles Offices in person.

Re Paul Elecombe.—Applicant, an engineer on the C. & E. railroad, having been convicted by a J. P. and fined on a charge of setting out a prairie fire by allowing sparks to escape from the engine, applied for a rule nisi for the return into court of the record and conviction and the quashing of the conviction on the return thereof. Rule granted as asked, returnable at next sitting of the court. Hamilton, Q. C., for applicant. The Deputy Attorney General for Attorney-General's Department. No one for informant or Justice.

LOST.

Lost on Thursday, Dec. 15, 1898, in town or between Moose Jaw and Boharm, a parcel containing a lady's fur collar and half dozen pocket handkerchiefs. Finder will please leave same at Robinson & Hamilton's. GEO. PAISLEY, Boharm. 25 27p.

Speaking at the banquet to the Lord Mayor of London on November 9th, the Marquis of Salisbury, in the course of his speech in reply to the toast of "Her Majesty's Ministers," said: "Let us remember that we are a great colonial and maritime power. There have been four or five great maritime powers, but they have always fallen because they had a land frontier by which enemies could approach and by which their metropolis could be struck. We have no such land frontier, but if we ever allow our defence at sea to fall to such a point of inefficiency that it is as easy, or nearly as easy, to cross the sea as it is to cross a land frontier, our great Empire, stretching to the ends of the earth, supported by maritime force in every part of it, will come clattering to the ground, when a blow at the metropolis of England is struck."

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SWIFT CURRENT.

Christmas Among the Ranchers— The New English Church— Personal Paragraphs

Swift Current, Dec. 21.—Messrs. Frank Goodwin and Chas. Reid made a trip to the Saskatchewan river last week and report everything in a prosperous condition.

We are pleased to have Mr. McLean back with us again after his summer's absence. "Mack" is one of the boys and will always find a warm welcome in Swift Current. But while we welcome with the one hand we bid adieu with the other. Mr. Wm. Forrest has left for Winnipeg. Good-bye, Will, We are sorry to lose you.

Court of Revision, to regulate school taxation, was held last Saturday in the school house. There was a lively meeting and matters were settled in a satisfactory manner.

Poor Swift Current! For almost a whole year it could not boast of a single young lady within its borders. Now, picture to yourself, Mr. Editor, the deplorable condition of a place thus situated. Social life. Why social life is dead without the fairer sex; for bread without yeast, soup without salt, a lordly title without a long purse are as nothing compared to a village without young ladies. And then the poor young men! Well, some of them got so bad that they threatened to leave the place. Oh, the lonesome look on their faces was noticeable as they came in lonely groups from skating on the river. Do you know there is one man here who says that such unhappy circumstances should not be allowed to exist,—and, by the way, his opinion deserves serious consideration, as he is sometimes mentioned in connection with Parliamentary honors; for you know Swift Current is to send the next man to Regina. Medicine Hat has not yet learned enough to bring one man out and put him in; Maple Creek has had her turn, and now Swift Current's turn has arrived. And why not?—But pardon the digression. I was going to say that any steps towards the improvement of the town would be loudly applauded by such young men as Longpre, Galloway, and Summerton. But there is a better day dawning. Our bright little town can no longer be dubbed with the epithet of "The Deserted Village." I really mean to say that some young ladies have come and have come to stay. Hurrah! hurrah! The warm breezes of the social spring have arrived and there is a balmy summer and harvest ahead.

Swift Current has made a decided gain of late. On a pleasant little hill just north of the C.P.R. track stands the new English church. It is at once a handsome and serviceable building and reflects great credit on the builder, Mr. Lawrence, of Maple Creek. Mr. Goodwin, Mr. Sanders and the others who contributed so liberally and worked so faithfully in its behalf have reason to be proud of the results of their labors.

The man who said that the isolated ranchers spend a lonesome, dreary time, has evidently never spent Christmas among them. Those of Swift Current are preparing for coming festivities, and I wish, Mr. Editor, that my poor pen were fluent enough to take some snap shots at them as they sit around the festive board.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27th, all will have an opportunity of spending an evening with the children at their Christmas concert.

On Monday, Dec. 19th, Mr. Atkinson opened a series of special meetings in

Knox church. Mr. Atkinson comes highly recommended by leading congregations and it is hoped his meetings will be a success.

Boharm.

Boharm, Dec. 19.—We notice that our Boharm correspondents have once more resumed their places in the scribe's seat, and are giving a general view of the state of affairs. But as the days pass by new occurrences take place, and F. W. says J. M. is the best looking man in the burg, quite a compliment.—Our friend, Mr. Dobbin, is a resident of our suburb.—Mr. A. McKeown intends in a few days to leave for the east, and in consequence has resigned his office as Overseer for the township. Mr. John Wilson has been chosen as the standard bearer in his stead.—Our elevator we understand is about to be closed, and Mr. and Mrs. Postlethwaite expect to return to their home in Souris. Mr. Postlethwaite does not know but what he may return to become a permanent resident of our vicinity.—Our school will be closed at Christmas for the winter. The children have made rapid progress in their studies during the past season, through the able management of their teacher, Mr. Campbell. We bespeak for him great success in his profession where ever he may be called.—Land in the school district is being rapidly taken up, two homesteads and two syndicate quarters have been secured on the north side the last few days.—We expect to lose some of our citizens in a few days, we hope they will enjoy themselves while on their tour to the east.—Mr. Arnold expects to bring up some No. 1 stock in the spring.—Mr. Arnold has sold Nonpareil; Mr. Jas. Smith, of Carmel, is the purchaser.—Winter is progressing favorably cattle doing well. Coal arrived just in time to save a freeze out.—TWAS HIM.

[From Another Correspondent.]

Boharm, Dec. 21.—Our little settlement is well worthy of representation in the Times, and now when the work has all been finished, the grain marketed, and the money spent, surely all the reporters of Boharm, who are given credit for what they haven't done, can find ample live news for a live journal.—Our little corner has been blessed by providence this last season, and most of us have nothing whereof to complain about crops or hail, except the amount deducted as tare by the elevator man.—Our people were commencing to shiver and shake when they realized the near approach of the blizzard and no coal, but all fears are dispelled, as a car was left on the siding, and weighmaster Arnold dished out to each man his allowance. It must have been a great relief to Mr. T. B. Baker to have the people quieted.—Some of those Snider Enfield Rifles have found their way among us, and the sports have already tried conclusions on the coyotes, but I guess the animals are quite safe so far. These guns are sighted to kill at a mile, and if the coyote should, fortunately for him, step aside and allow the ball to go on its way rejoicing, then any stray pedestrian may expect almost anything in the shape of a surprise, but if as at the fight at Manila "not a single American was killed" then all is well.—Mr. Postlethwaite has been quite busy at the elevator this fall.—Mr. John Ingles is helping Mr. Bastedo this winter.—Mr. Hopkins has expressed his intention of building a dandy new bank-barn next year, to replace his present building.—Mr. T. Arnold has started for his old home near

Chatham, Ont. We wish him a good time. Mr. Mahlon Johnston expects to go soon.—The school children along with the visitors present had their pictures taken on examination day, by Mr. Manley, from Moose Jaw. They are done very well, and are valued highly by the people who are sending them to friends in the east.—The Sunday School is in progress yet.—Mr. Elson preached a very thoughtful Thanksgiving sermon in Boharm School a few weeks ago, in the absence of Rev. Mr. Elmitt.

[From Another Correspondent.]

Boharm, Dec. 21.—The race for land still keeps up, there is practically no C. P. R. land left on T. 17 R. 27. Our people evidently think we are about past the experimental stage in wheat growing. Great improvement is noticeable in the methods of summer following, and the large fields that were plowed early this season and kept clean with the aid of the Zess Cultivators, goes a long way to making the prospect for next year look bright. There is a steady increase of the amount of grain grown in this township from year to year. There was about 15 per cent more this year than last. There is also a wonderful improvement in buildings. Among the new ones lately put up are a new house and barn on the farm of Mr. D. Ross, a fine large barn built by Mr. Wm. Heron and Mr. S. K. Rathwell is preparing to build a fine barn about 75 x 40 on an 8 ft. stone basement, which, with the fine brick house built a short time ago will give his farm a solid appearance. Last year Mr. Rathwell was the champion grain grower of this township, and he is this year again slightly ahead with a little over 8000 bushels. It will do any one good that is interested in farming to visit this neighborhood. To see well fed horses and men, good buildings, fine bins of No. 1 wheat, good stables full of stock, it is only necessary to call on A. Wilson, A. Zess, R. Ledingham, J. Glassford, W. Heron, R. Green, Ross & Sons or S. K. Rathwell, in fact all around the neighborhood there are signs of progress and contentment.—An Occasional Visitor.

[From Another Correspondent.]

Boharm, Dec. 22.—Here we are again the old reliable. Great indignation in the city because the elections are held three weeks later than in the other towns in the North-West. Nominations this week and elections next. We are looking for excitable times. Full particulars in next issue.—Mr. Arnold left for the east this week. It is rumored that Mr. Arnold and a young bachelor north of the town are arranging to start a wild beast show. Mr. Arnold took a specimen with him. Jack says he saw the "Baist" first if the other fellow did shoot it.—As Mr. Johnston is going east next week, the neighbors to the number of about fifty, gave him and Mrs. Johnston a surprise on Wednesday evening, when all had a good time and dispersed after wishing him a pleasant sojourn among old friends and a safe return.—School closed this week for this term, we will be sorry to lose Mr. Campbell.—We notice in the Boharm items from your own correspondent, that he is going east again this year. Isn't he afraid he will wear his welcome out going every winter?—Quite a number of Boharmites attended the Presbyterian dinner in your town on Wednesday evening last, and all expressed themselves as having a good time, even our Methodists were pleased with the Highland dancing.—Rambler.